

COMMENT OF
THE DAY

Let's Hear From
Government

Mr Lawrence Kadourie and the Hon John Keawick, with their contrasting points of view, have succeeded in reawakening to some degree public interest in the pros and cons of a harbour tunnel. The protagonists appear to be pretty equally divided and no substantial balance of popular opinion, either for or against, is yet visible.

One thing can be stated with certainty: the community will shrink from any proposal that the building of a tunnel be financed by means of increased taxation, no matter how attractive, desirable or even necessary such a project.

Opponents of the scheme have in the main directed their warnings and criticisms against the heavy capital cost, arguing also that the ultimate benefits to the public will not be commensurate. This view is not easy to assimilate. Any major improvement in communications must be a valuable asset to the Colony; and a harbour tunnel comes within this category.

BOILED down to essentials the question of a tunnel revolves around two considerations: Is it a necessity? Can the Colony afford it? It is not, of this moment, a necessity, but it might fairly be regarded as such in the future. In these days a community demands and expects all possible facilities for mobility and rapid transportation, and because the Colony is going to become more and more urbanised, those demands will become more urgent.

A tunnel would not merely mean linking the city of Victoria with Tsimshatsui, but would directly connect the island with all parts of Kowloon and the New Territories. To this extent it would revolutionise the Colony's transport system and increase very considerably the mobility of the whole community.

The practical aspects of a harbour tunnel can hardly be disputed, and the real bone of contention is whether the Colony can financially afford the project. Here disputation becomes more pronounced, and some sort of opinion from Government would be helpful. In fact an expression of Government's attitude to the scheme generally would not come amiss. To date officialdom has kept very quiet, contenting itself with laying before the public, without comment, the experts' report on how a tunnel could be constructed under the harbour.

WE believe Government should now express itself on the scheme, more particularly its financial aspect. A tunnel is not the only major development project under consideration, and because of this the question of priority becomes important.

Still awaiting a further official report is the proposal to construct reservoirs on Lantau and the piping of water supplies from them to Hongkong Island. This is a scheme, we suggest, which far outweighs in importance to the community a harbour tunnel.

Water being our most needed commodity, any undertaking which promises to help provide fully for those needs must be given preference. And as the Lantau scheme must be costly, it is hardly conceivable that the Exchequer could simultaneously finance it and the construction of a harbour tunnel.

The public would appreciate and welcome an official statement concerning Government's views.

"Communism The Liberator? Then Where Is Freedom?" EDEN REBUKES SOVIET CHIEFS

Reply To Statements In Burma And India

TORY AND LABOUR MPs CHEER PM's CRITICISM

London, Dec. 12.

The Prime Minister, Sir Anthony Eden, tonight described as "fantastic" statements made by the Soviet leaders now visiting India.

Winding up a debate in the House of Commons on the Middle East he referred to speeches made by Marshal Bulganin and Mr Khrushchev during their Indian tour, and said: "We are told we are the wicked colonialists in Asia and that communism is the liberator."

"Is that really true anywhere on this earth today? asked Sir Anthony amid cheers from both sides of the house.

"Has it really been true at any time since the war? Where is there freedom now at this moment? In Hamburg or in Berlin? In Brussels or in Warsaw?"

"Or to take the East, in Colombo or in the capital of Outer Mongolia?"

Mr Emrys Hughes, Labour left-winger interjected at this point: "Take Cyprus."

Sir Anthony Eden retorted: "There is at least freedom to argue and fight in Cyprus."

"There were cheers from the Government side at this."

Sir Anthony Eden said a representative of a Middle Eastern country at the Bandung conference who was not a friend of what used to be called colonialism had said "at least we could fight against it, struggle against it, make ourselves heard against it. Under communism we could not make ourselves heard at all."

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WHAT ABOUT THE
COLOMBO PLAN?

He went on: "We have been told we have been sitting on the necks of the Burmese and rebelling them of their last crust of bread."

"What a fantastic statement that is," he said, and Conservative and Labour cheered.

"Perhaps its author never heard of the Colombo Plan under which \$450 million have been spent by the Commonwealth countries since 1951 in helping to create more prosperous conditions in these very countries. The United States had spent very much more."

"The Russian leaders are still India's guests and I have no wish to embarrass their hosts, but I must say this: I am all the more remarkable that these speeches are made in countries with which we have the friendliest relations and whose independence Britain has promoted and will always respect."

Sir Anthony Eden said a representative of another Middle Eastern country had said communism was a new type of colonialism.

EVATT—IN OR OUT?

His Lead Dwindles

Melbourne, Dec. 12.
Dr Herbert Evatt—who has already lost his chance in the current Australian general elections of returning to Parliament at the head of a victorious Labour Party—today saw his chances of returning at all being slowly whittled away.

Meanwhile, Mr Robert Menzies' Government coalition of Country Party (Conservative) and Liberals continued to pile up an increasing majority.

Dr Evatt's majority in the Sydney suburb of Burwood slipped 410 votes today to 1,045, with only a few thousand votes left to be counted.

At present, he has 19,030 votes compared with the 18,591 of his Liberal opponent and the 1,535 cast for an Independent candidate.

SECOND CHOICES
If Dr Evatt fails to get an absolute majority, he will have to rely for election on the second choices registered by those who voted for the Independent.

If Dr Evatt secures enough votes to retain his seat he would return to a House of Representatives (lower house) in which the Government will probably have a majority of more than 50 seats compared with only 15 before the elections. There are 124 seats, two without voting rights.—Reuter.

"It is true that fundamentally Communist policy aims at world domination. How then can there be real co-existence between Russia and ourselves, since we will never accept communism or they the parliamentary system we believe in?"

"We have always been willing to try and work this problem out and we are still willing to do it now."

CO-EXISTENCE MUST
BE TWO-WAY

"But co-existence, if it is to succeed, has to be a two-way traffic, and equal tolerance and equal understanding have got to be shown by the countries on either side."

"While I am ready at all times for discussion, abuse of our friends only strengthens our loyalty and abuse of ourselves only strengthens our determination and the world ought to have learnt that by now."

Sir Anthony Eden said: "It would be a mistake for any country to try to found a foreign policy on the belief that the free world needs to crave co-existence."

On the Arab-Israeli dispute the Prime Minister said: "I believe a settlement is essential and the need for a settlement more urgent than ever in the interests of both parties."

SETTLEMENT IS
POSSIBLE

Referring to a speech at the London Lord Mayor's banquet last month in which he urged a compromise with concessions by both Israel and the Arab states, Sir Anthony Eden said: "What

I was trying to do was to make both sides of this dispute realise they could not go on as they are at this very hour with the danger of war increasing and that they must turn their minds to peace."

"I do not regret one word of what I said or draw back from the motives I had in mind."

"We believe the possibility of settlement does exist. We and the United States are in agreement on this and on the urgency with which the effort must be made."

The Prime Minister reaffirmed the government's adherence to the tripartite agreement with the US and France and said Britain was ready to carry out jointly with her allies any action necessary to "assist Israel if she were attacked or assist an Arab country if attacked by Israel."

NOT AT MILITARY
DISADVANTAGE

He later added: "I think I should say this—perhaps it is unwise but I think I should say that Israel is not, in my belief, at a military disadvantage to any Arab state or indeed to any combination of Arab states who are on her frontier."

"I think that is about a true assessment of the situation."

The Prime Minister said the position for both parties in the Arab-Israeli dispute was one of the "utmost danger."

If attempts were not made to get negotiations going and get their minds on to the thought of the possibility of peace "then the whole of that area can at any time flare up into a blaze the consequences of which none of us can foresee."—Reuter.

BEN GURION PROPOSES CHRISTMAS DAY PEACE TALKS WITH NASSER

New York, Dec. 12.
The World-Telegram and the Sun today printed an interview with the Israeli Premier, Mr David Ben-Gurion, in which he suggested that he and Egyptian Premier Colonel Gamal Abdel Nasser meet on Christmas Day to discuss peace between their countries. The story, written by staff correspondent William Longgood under a Jerusalem dateline, said, in part:

"Premier Ben-Gurion suggested they meet at Kilometre 85, where the United Nations mixed armistice commission meets, halfway between the Egyptian and Israeli lines, or in Geneva."

SEVEN POINTS

"The Premier said: the time, place and date were suggestions and he would abide by Col. Nasser's preference."

Longgood said Ben-Gurion also made the following points:

★ Unless a peace settlement comes, he believes Egypt

may attack Israel within five or six months.

★ Israel won't make war unless attacked.

★ Israel will continue to meet force with force.

★ Col. Nasser is the only Arab leader with enough strength to make peace with Israel.

★ Israel still expects to get arms from the West and believes that would insure peace in the Middle East.

★ External pressure has nothing to do with Israel's decision not to start a so-called preventive war.

★ Israel doesn't seek "an inch more territory, nor will it give up an inch of its own territory."

Longgood said Ben-Gurion proposed the direct peace talks after he was told of the writer's recent interview with Col. Nasser in which the latter said he thought the United Nations would be the proper negotiator between the two countries.

"At the proposed meeting, I think a great deal of the mis-

..So The Queen Bought A Toy Helicopter

London, Dec. 13.
Prince Charles, who longs for journeys into outer space, will find a model jet-propelled helicopter under the Christmas tree this year.

The Queen chose the toy for her son last week when she began her Christmas shopping in a plush Knightsbridge department store.

Seven-year-old Charles, a great fan of spaceman Dan Dare, has become as fond of planes and rockets as his flying father, the Duke of Edinburgh. Last month, his birthday cake was topped with a jet-model "Flying Wing" fighter plane.

The helicopter has twin jet engines on the tips of the rotor. It can rise 100 feet off the ground. It cost \$25.

—AND SOLDIERS

The Queen admired—but did not buy—a large space-ship, also jet propelled. She decided it was too big for Charles who will have to make do with his imagination and the space-suit he got for his birthday.

The Queen then inspected the miniature toy soldiers. She bought a set of the King's Troop, Royal Horse Artillery. With it went two cannons.

With the Queen's Christmas party at Sandringham (the Queen's country home in Norfolk) in mind, she bought a new board game called "Scorp". Mr. Bovan, once considered a powerful contender for control of the party, has lost ground through his feuds with the official leadership and has been held by some to be partly to blame for Labour's election defeat. He was thus reckoned to have little chance.

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Rita Gets Divorce

Reno, Dec. 12.
Screen star Rita Hayworth was today granted a divorce decree "absolutely" from her fourth husband, singer Dick Haymes.—United Press.

WHO WILL IT BE? Gaitskell Or Morrison Labour MPs Send In Their Votes

London, Dec. 12.
Balloting began today for the vacant leadership of the British Labour party with most Socialists tonight convinced the prize and with it the chance of future Premiership will go to Mr Hugh Gaitskell, 49, right-wing intellectual.

With the result due to be announced on Wednesday few politicians can see either of the rival candidates—Mr Herbert Morrison, 67, deputy Party chief and Mr Aneurin Bevan, 58, accident left-winger—overtaking Mr Gaitskell.

But because the ballot confined to Labour Members of Parliament is completely secret champions of each of the three contenders have no positive proof they are right in assuming that Mr Gaitskell is leading the field.

Mr Gaitskell, former Chancellor of the Exchequer, in a short but spectacular political career has won the confidence of the five million trade unionists who control the policy and purse strings of the Labour Party nationally.

FILLS THE BILL?

Labour's defeat in the May general election produced demands for younger and more active leadership and Mr Gaitskell appeared to fill the bill.

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Searching of Cyprus Monasteries MAKARIOS ATTACKS 'BARBAROUS ACTION'

Nicosia, Dec. 12.
Archbishop Makarios, leader of the Cypriot campaign for union with Greece, today described a recent search of monasteries by British troops as a "barbarous action" which "constitutes shame on the British government."

He said "the sanctity of holy places was violated with a total lack of respect."

[After the raids on the monasteries an official British announcement said "the searches were carried out with due regard to religious susceptibilities and a priest was present in every case before the searches began."

Eight arrests were made and some weapons and a small quantity of explosives were found during the sweep.]

ABSOLUTELY FUTILE

In a brief reference to the present political situation, Archbishop Makarios said "if British knew Greek history well, she would understand that it is absolutely futile to try to eternally colonial rule on the island."

"Only recently has Britain started to face facts and talks were heard in the House of Commons about a just and honourable solution for the Cyprus question."

"But Britain obviously has a different understanding from ours as to what is just and honourable. The only just and honourable solution is self-determination of the Cypriot people. Mere recognition of the Cypriots' theoretical right to

self-determination is no solution," he said.—Reuter.

DEMONSTRATIONS—THEN MASS ROUND-UP

371 Reds Arrested In Berlin

Berlin, Dec. 12.
West Berlin police tonight detained 371 Communists after a demonstration in the French sector of the city was broken up by baton charges and water hoses.

Two policemen were injured in the clashes with an estimated 1,400 Communists who had entered the sector to protest against a meeting they claimed was being held by the right-wing Stahlhelm (steel helmet) veterans organisation.

They came from railway and underground stations to demonstrate outside a restaurant in which they thought the Stahlhelm were meeting. But the meeting had been cancelled because of week-long East Berlin calls through radio and the press for workers to "protest against the Fascists."

Most of those detained were youths from Communist-controlled East Berlin.

TRIAL OF STRENGTH

Police described the incident as "the biggest Communist trial of strength" since the threats by Herr Friedrich Ebert, Communist Lord Mayor of East Berlin, earlier this month to "create democratic conditions in all parts of the city and to chase the militarists out of West Berlin."

Herr Ebert's statement followed a declaration by General P. A. Dabrowski, Soviet commander in Berlin that East Berlin was no longer occupied but considered the capital of a "sovereign" East Germany.

Alarmed by the continued calls from East Berlin, West Berlin police last night set a tight cordon around the restaurant and stationed about 200 men, including special anti-riot squads, in the adjacent streets near the Soviet sector boundary. A still larger number of police stood by.—Reuter.

'Agreements Reached'

London, Dec. 12.
Singapore's Chief Minister, Mr David Marshall, tonight reached "some tentative agreements" with Colonial Secretary, Mr Alan Lennox-Boyd after his first meeting.

He announced this after a 90-minute discussion with the Colonial Secretary—the first of a series of consultations he will have with Mr Lennox-Boyd this week, designed to examine Mr Marshall's request for internal self-government for the colony by 1957.—Reuter.

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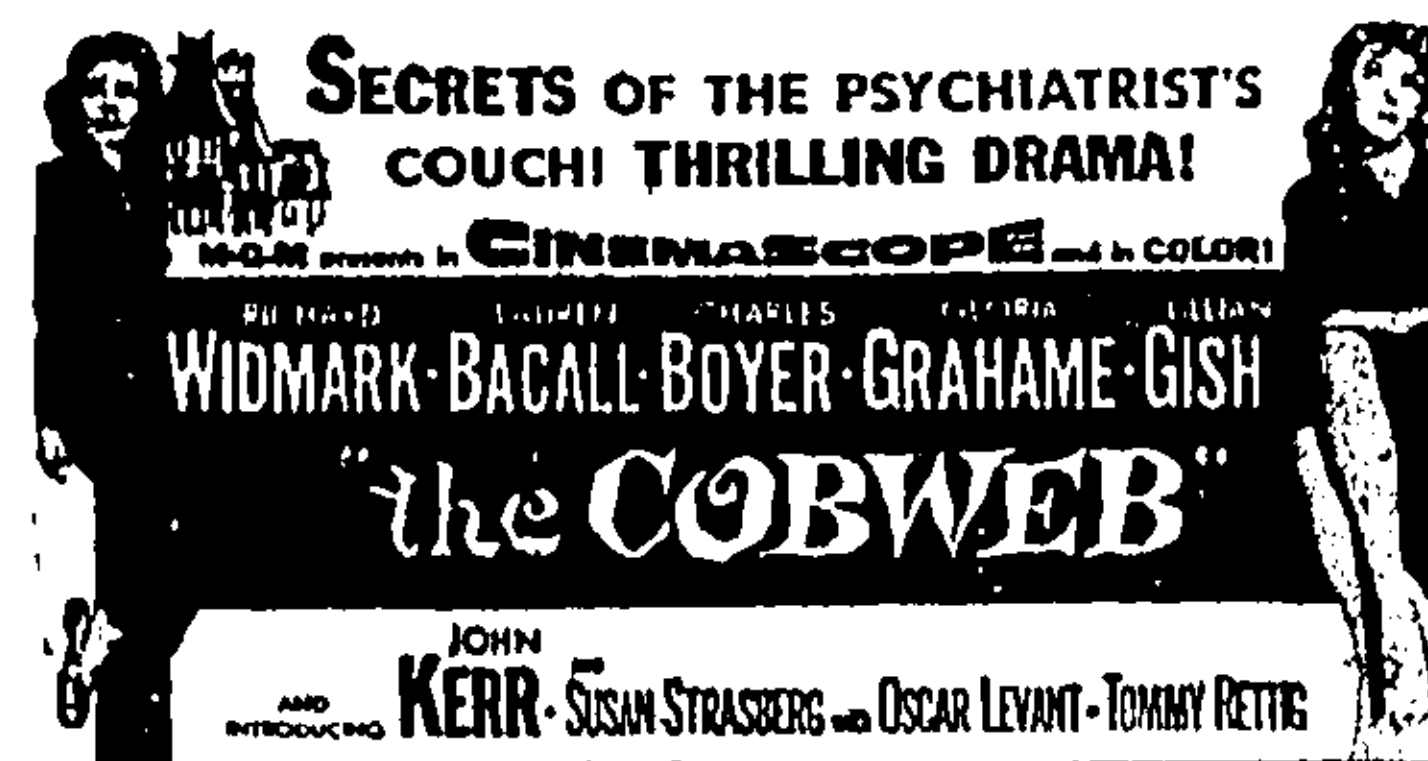
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Doctors' Reports On Ike Start Presidential Speculation

Washington, Dec. 12.

Doctors' reports that President Eisenhower should ease his work load touched off new Republican speculation today as to whether the President will seek re-election. Republican Party viewpoints about Mr. Eisenhower's political plans seem to be running roughly along the lines that divided the party in 1952. Most of the recent private and public forecasts that the President will run again have come from men who have been regarded as all-out supporters of Mr. Eisenhower.

With no obvious explanation, disbelievers appear to be in much greater proportion among Republican politicians not loosely tied to the Eisenhower wing of the party. President Eisenhower's doctors said on Saturday he is making a basically good recovery from his September 24 heart attack. However, they said, he is showing some signs of fatigue from his increased activities and recommended he should ease up for the next few weeks.

Wishful Thinking

For more than a month there has been a steady upswing in expressed hopes or beliefs that Mr. Eisenhower will run again. Evidence supporting these views, if it exists, has not been disclosed.

Some Republicans admit wishful thinking may be a factor; others say the President is facing an unfinished job as a world leader, and still others concede they just have a "feeling in the bones" that he will run again.

Those who remain unconvinced are expressing their opinion only in private. Some are suspicious of a plot among White House lieutenants, encouraging hopes of a second Eisenhower candidacy to discourage moves by other possible candidates.

Repudiation

On the other side of the political fence, New York Democratic leader Carmine Desapio predicted the Democratic Presidential nominee in 1960 will recapture the "solid South" and be elected—even if Mr. Eisenhower runs.

The Tammany chief, who is backing Gov. Averell Harriman of New York for the 1956 Presidential nomination, said Democratic gains in the 1954 Congressional and gubernatorial elections amounted to "a definite repudiation of the Republican philosophy regarding who is leader may be."

President's aide Harold E. Starnes said President Eisenhower can wait as late as June or July to announce whether he will seek a second term.

Mr. Starnes, the President's special assistant for disarmament problems, said the President's leadership is "so important" to the world that "if any his recovery will be so complete that God willing, he will continue to lead the nation."

He took sharp issue with Senate Republican leader William F. Knowland and some other Republican figures who want the President to declare himself by January or February. They say this would give other Republican candidates time to build up campaigns if Mr. Eisenhower does not run.

Other Action

In other political action: ★ 1. Postmaster-General Arthur E. Summerfield said he

thinks President Eisenhower will seek re-election "because America and the whole world need him to be President of the United States."

★ 2. Republican national chairman Leonard W. Hall reiterated his belief the President will run again, and said there was no need for him to make his intentions known before early March. —United Press.

US To Maintain Antarctic Winter Base

Port Lyttelton, Dec. 12.

Rear-Adm. Richard E. Byrd, en route today to the South Pole, said the bases to be established by Operation Deep Freeze are the prelude to limited human habitation of the Antarctic continent.

It was the explorer's fifth venture to the bottom of the world.

Adm. Byrd left here on Saturday with the first part of Task Force 43 of US Operation Deep Freeze, to establish six observation stations near the South Pole.

The scientific undertaking has the twofold purpose of implementing the US programme for the International Geophysical Year and also will carry forward the work of exploration and mapping started by earlier expeditions.

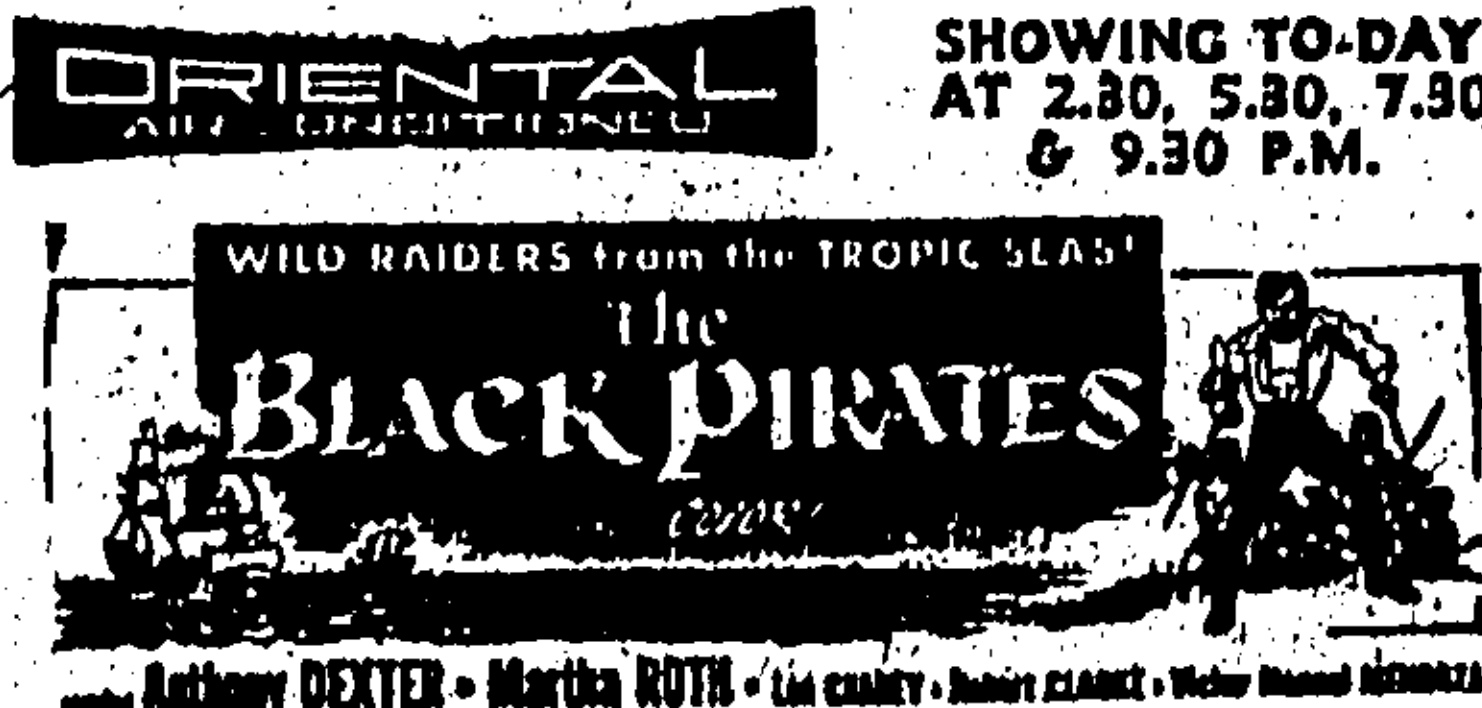
First Attempt

Adm. Byrd said it would be the first attempt to establish a station at the South Pole and maintain it throughout the winter. It will be the first time man has set foot on the Pole since the 1911-1912 Amundsen and Scott expeditions.

On the eve of his departure, Adm. Byrd told the people of New Zealand of "moral rearmament," a force that can unite men of all creeds, colours and races to answer the divisive forces of materialism.

He said that since his first contact with the Oxford Group in 1939 he has watched the progress of moral rearmament "with great satisfaction." —United Press.

London, Dec. 12. Solar energy provides the power to heat the water used in one of the buildings at a farm exhibition at Kirgiz, East Russia, Moscow Radio reported. Local scientists are working on other methods of using solar energy. —China Mail Special.



Last Journey As Leader



Standing on the platform of a subway station on his way to hand in his resignation last Wednesday as leader of Britain's Labour (Socialist) Party, a post he held for 20 years, is Mr. Clement Attlee. His future Parliamentary activities will be in the House of Lords — the Queen has offered him an earldom, which he has accepted. Meanwhile, a fight looms for the post of new Labour leader. Most likely to be elected is brilliant, young (40) Hugh Galliskell, former Labour Chancellor of the Exchequer. Deputy Party Leader Herbert Morrison, 67, is a strong contender, however, and a few observers are putting their money on Aneurin Bevan, fiery party rebel. —Express Photo.

Mormon's Appeal Turned Down

Washington, Dec. 12.

The Supreme Court refused today to interfere with a Utah Court ruling that parents who teach that polygamy is "God's law" are unfit to rear children.

In a brief order, the High Court rejected an appeal brought by eight children of Mr and Mrs Leonard Black, members of an excommunicated Mormon sect of Short Creek, Utah.

The Juvenile Court of Jackson County, Utah, held that the Black home was an immoral environment for children. It awarded custody of the children, ranging in age from 10 to 4, to the State Department of Public Welfare. The State Supreme Court upheld the finding last May.

250 Arrested

The Blacks are members of a small religious sect that practiced polygamy as part of their faith. The isolated community of Short Creek, which straddles the Utah-Arizona border, was the scene of a large-scale police raid in 1953.

About one-half of the town's population of some 250 were arrested by the Arizona authorities. The men, including Black, who were married to more than one wife, were prosecuted.

The Short Creek polygamists consider themselves "true Mormons" although they have been excommunicated from the Church of Latter Day Saints for practicing plural marriages, which the main body of the Church has banned for more than half a century.

The Short Creek sect claims to be following the original doctrines of the Mormon faith as found in the "Book of Mormon" handed down by the Church's founder, Joseph Smith.

Right To Teach

Black had three families and fathered 26 children. He argued in appealing to the Supreme Court that the State's taking his

children was unconstitutional interference with religious beliefs. He agreed that plural marriages were illegal and said he had no intention of continuing the practice. But he said he had the right to teach his children that polygamy was sanctioned by God.

The State Court, however, held that where religion conflicts with the law the law must have priority. It said that teaching children to believe in polygamy is in the eyes of the law the same as instructing them to commit a burglary. — United Press.

Political Debate On Record

Paris, Dec. 12. France's electoral campaign today invaded the phonograph record industry, with the recording—probably for the first time in history—of a political debate, for sale to the public.

The debate was recorded on a long-playing record with politicians from the extreme left to the extreme right, taking part. Among those on the record were Socialist Guy Mollet, Communist Jacques Duclos, left centre UDR Party figure Francois Mitterrand, Independent Paul Reynaud and MRP (Popular Republican Movement) leader Maurice Schumann.

The record is called "Balance Sheet, 1955 and Prospects for 1956" and will be on sale on Wednesday morning—less than 48 hours after its recording—France-Press.

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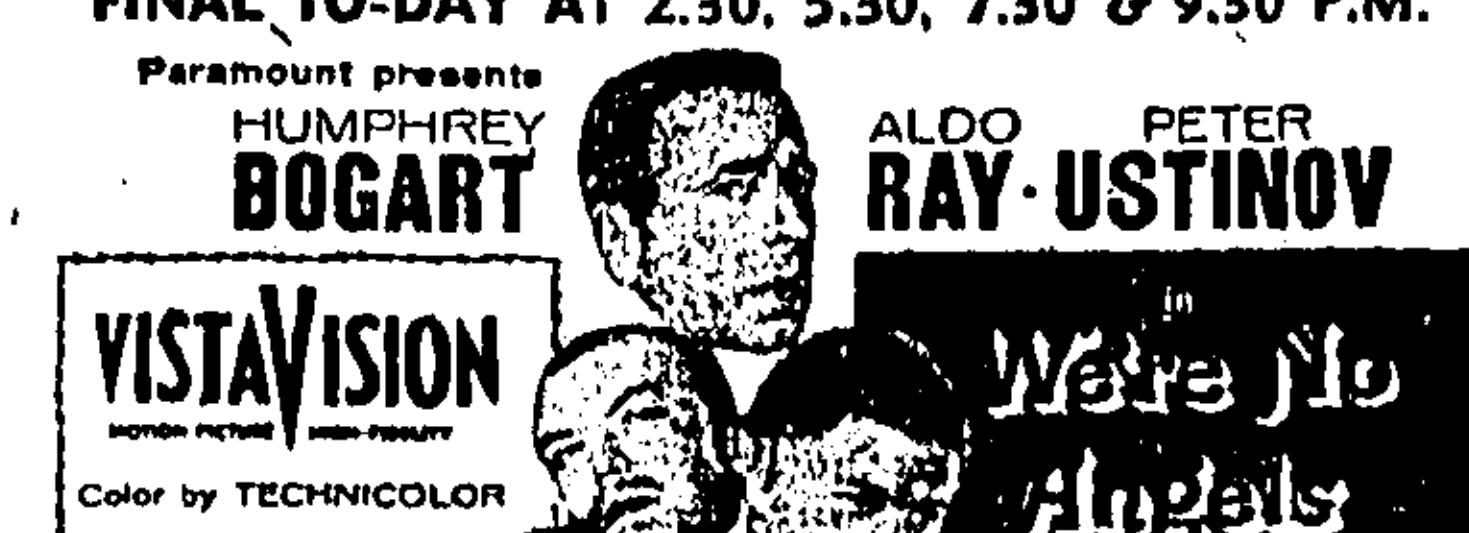
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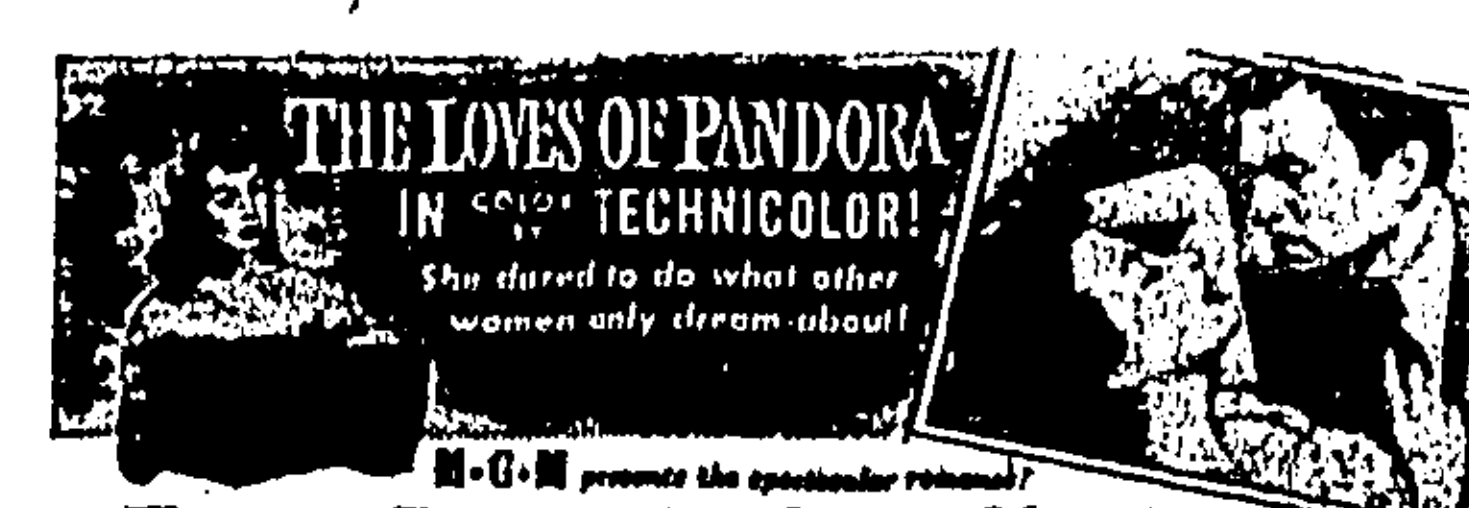
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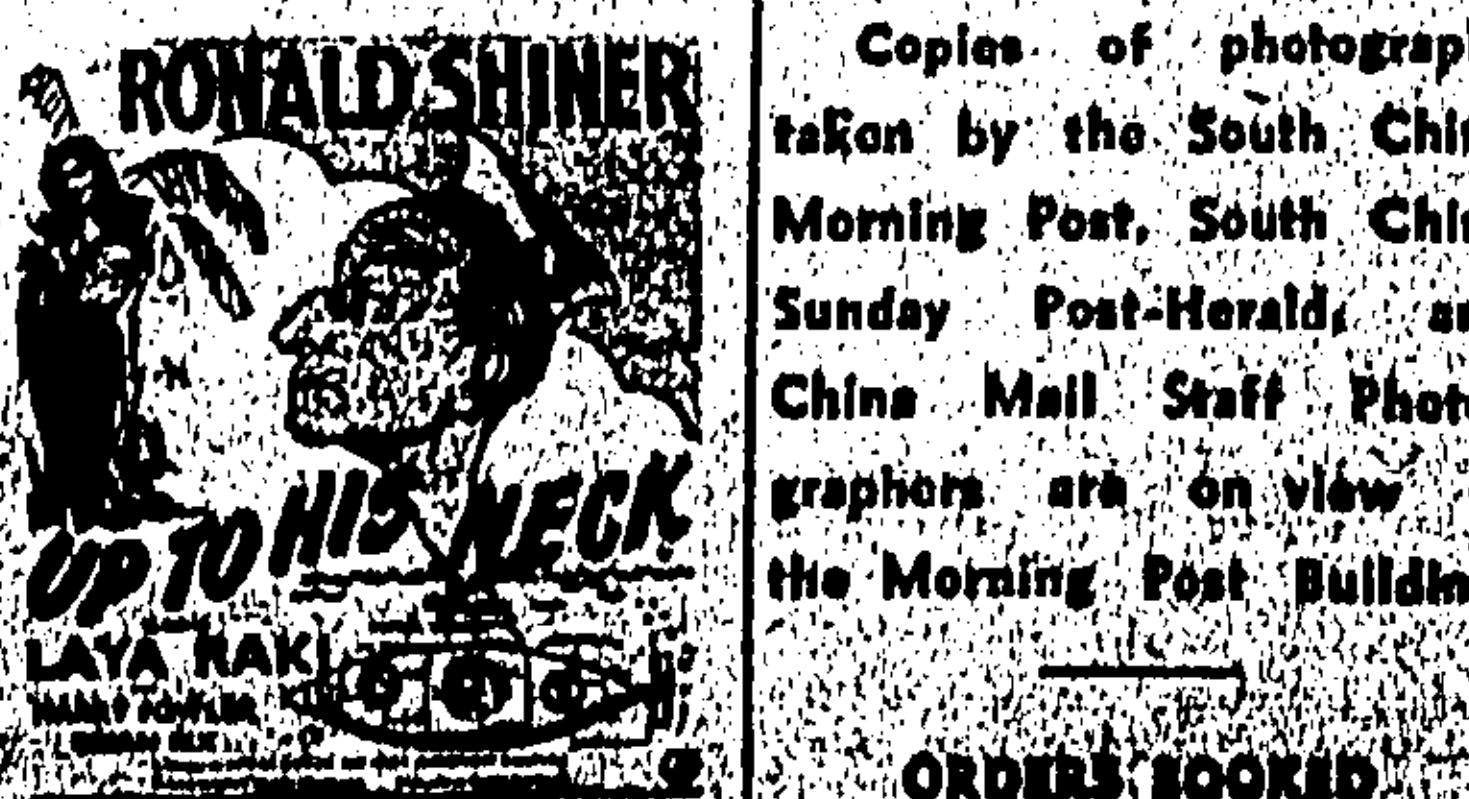


TO-MORROW ONLY: Martine Carol in "THE BED"

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LAVA KAKI

Portugal Would Defend Goa

DETERMINED TO REMAIN IN INDIAN ENCLAVE

Ottawa, Dec. 12.

Dr Paulo Cunha, Foreign Minister of Portugal, said today his country would defend Goa if it was attacked by India.

He said that Portugal alone could not possibly win a war with India over possession of Goa.

"I do not believe that India will attempt to take Goa by force, he said.

Contract For Part Of Satellite

Washington, Dec. 12.

The Navy today awarded a contract for construction of part of the huge rocket that will hurl an earth-orbiting satellite vehicle into outer space.

The contract went to Aerojet General Corp., of Azusa, California, which specializes in rocket engine research and production.

It will design and build a liquid rocket motor for the second stage of the three-stage rocket vehicle which will blast the satellite about 200 miles above the earth's surface during the 1957-58 International Geophysical Year.

First Stage

The first stage of the rocket will be built by Glenn L. Martin Co., of Baltimore, Maryland, which was previously awarded the prime contract for the launching vehicle.

The contract for the third stage of the launching vehicle, which will contain the small satellite itself, has not yet been awarded.

The Navy announcement disclosed that the first-stage rocket, which will blast the satellite off the earth's surface, will be a modified and improved Viking rocket, built by Martin.

The Viking holds the world's altitude record for a single-stage rocket of 159 miles, set in May, 1954.

More Efficient

The major improvement for the Viking launching rocket, the Navy said, will be a more efficient rocket motor now being developed by the General Electric Co.

The first earth satellite is due to be launched sometime in 1957-58 as part of US participation in the International Geophysical Year. US scientists hope eventually to shoot about 10 of the satellites into outer space during this period. — United Press.

"This would be wrong and unjust and would be contrary to India's role as a peaceful state and champion of international law."

But if India attacked, "Portugal would defend Goa by force with all her power," he said.

Die With Honour

"We know very well that we would be smashed in such a war. But we would defend Goa and die there with honour," he said.

Dr Cunha said Goa would be defended because it was a province of Portugal and not a colony as claimed by India and the Russian Communists.

"We have a moral reason for being there," he said. "Goa is a part of Portugal and our main reason for wanting to stay there is not economic profit. At present Portugal is spending something like one million dollars a year in Goa and receiving nothing in return through taxes."

Dr Cunha said the people of Portugal would be grief-stricken if Western nations refused to help Portuguese forces prevent an Indian invasion.

Settle Differences

"The loss of Goa to Portugal would be the loss of a free country to the Western world," he said.

There were no problems between India and Goa which could not be solved. Portugal was ready at any time to open negotiations with India to settle differences.

Present problems were being used by the Communists to stir up hatred between the people of India and Goa. The campaign was part of the Communist attempt to divide the Western world from Asia.

Dr Cunha also said there was danger that India would seek to expand in Africa. Any loss of territory in Africa by the Western world would be serious because the continent was one of the world's major sources of raw material resources.

He described Africa as the most vulnerable link in the Western world. — Reuters.

Ingrid Bergman In New Renoir Film



News that director Jean Renoir is working on a film is always good news for lovers of the cinema. His current one, being shot at a studio in Paris, is based on the life of General Boulanger and stars Swedish-born actress Ingrid Bergman. Also in the cast are Mel Ferrer and Jean Marais. M. Renoir is shown here, left, with Miss Bergman and composer Joseph Kosma. — Express Photo.

CHILD PRODIGY CONTROVERSY

Did Blind Girl Write Poems And Letters?

Paris, Dec. 12.

The controversy in France over a supposed child prodigy, eight-year-old Minou Drouot, whose poems and letters were published for the first time this year, boiled up again today with the publication of new "evidence" purporting to cast doubt on the girl's works.

1948 Letter

The evening newspaper, France Soir, revealed a letter written in 1948 by Mme Claude Drouot, foster mother of the little poetess, to a Paris publisher, in which she proposed a manuscript of "Poems By A Little Blind Girl."

In 1948, Mme Drouot did not yet know of the existence of

little Minou, the newspaper said. Minou was adopted a year later. She was at the time only one year old and living in a Paris orphanage.

The newspaper asked, "One can pose the question—Was Mme Claude Drouot a specialist in child prodigies?"

The controversy arose following the publication of a limited edition of 500 copies of poems and letters attributed to the little girl by a well-known publisher, Rene Julliard.

A Paris women's magazine sent its reporters to interview the girl and reported that the poems impressed them as having been possibly written by Mme Drouot rather than her adopted daughter.

Two handwriting experts came to the same conclusion, but a third contradicted this finding and supported the theory that the child had

written the poems and letters herself.

Later, little Minou was separated from her foster mother for six days and lived with publisher Julliard, where she produced more poems.

Photostatic Copy

Today's developments were accompanied by a photostatic copy of the 1948 letter written by Mme Drouot to a Paris publisher, offering poems written "by a little blind girl who reveals within them the marvellous world which she created with her heart."

Minou Drouot was blind for several years.

The publisher in 1948 rejected the poems as lacking in interest and of doubtful authenticity. — France-Press.

MIDWIFE BATTLES THROUGH SNOW

But Baby Born

Cardiff, Dec. 12.

A 63-year-old midwife on board a fire engine battled through blinding snow to a patient in the Welsh Hills last night.

Twice the fire engine was dug out of snow drifts. Finally, it got through to a remote cottage in the village of Cym Bargoed, 1,243 feet up and 16 miles north of Cardiff.

But when Nurse Anna Davies hurried inside, 40-year-old Betty Harris had her baby, a girl.

A neighbour had helped deliver it.

Three Attempts

Nurse Davies had made three attempts to reach the village by ambulance from Merthyr Tydfil. Drifting snow on the mountain roads beat them each time. Then the chief of the local fire brigade, Mr Jack Davies, took out the fire engine.

Many parts of Britain had their first snow of the winter yesterday. In Central England, nine amateur glider pilots were today cut off in their club headquarters on a 1,500-foot peak.

In parts of Wales snow ploughs were working to clear drifts and in Scotland three highland roads were reported blocked. — China Mail Special.

Tokyo, Dec. 12.

Saitama Prefecture Police Headquarters reported some 300 policemen from 81 police stations today arrested 210 criminals, including a burglar, in raids at various places in the Prefecture, south of Tokyo.

Police said it was the biggest series of raids made in the Prefecture this year. — China Mail Special.

VODKA FLOWS IN DELHI

New Delhi, Dec. 12.

THE Soviet leaders, Marshal Bulganin and Mr Khrushchev, tonight gave the most lavish reception for Indian leaders that the capital has seen since India was granted her independence.

Vodka flowed freely at a buffet dinner attended by Mr Nehru, the Indian Premier, President Rajendra Prasad and 1,000 guests at the Indian Government's guest palace.

Diplomats were offered more than 50 dishes, including caviar, lobster, stuffed turkey, sucking pig, asparagus and meringues provided by Delhi caterers at a cost per head of 50 rupees (about 23 1/2s).

The palace was lit by thousands of coloured lights representing 50-foot high Indian and Soviet flags. An illuminated peace dove and red star appeared to float above the roof. — Reuters.

Tito Shoots Ostriches

Addis Ababa, Dec. 12.

Yugoslav President Josip Broz Tito shot three ostriches today, while crossing the Anacolia region of Ethiopia on his way to Addis Ababa, where he is to be the guest of the Ethiopian Emperor, Haile Selassie.

Marshal Tito left the port of Assab earlier today in a luxurious caravan-bus lent him by the Emperor.

The Yugoslav President decided to take part in the shooting when he accompanied big game hunts organized in his honour during his State visit to India earlier this year. — France-Press.

BROADSIDE AGAINST RELIGION

Manchester, Dec. 12.

A BRITISH educationalist who rocked the nation earlier this year by telling a nationwide radio audience there is no God said yesterday religious training does not keep men out of gaol.

It does not "stop" women from leading an immoral life either, Mrs Margaret Knight told the annual convention of the National Secular Society, Catholics, for instance, receive more religious training than anyone else yet have the highest rate of delinquency.

It was Mrs Knight's second broadside against religion. In her first talk over BBC last January she championed scientific humanism against Christianity and told parents they should not fill their children's heads with religious instruction.

Stuck To Guns

The broadcast stirred a storm of controversy across the country but Mrs Knight stuck to her guns. Yesterday she blasted Christianity again.

"Statistics showing that Roman Catholics' religious training reduces delinquency are untrue," she said. "Catholics receive intense religious training yet they are the most delinquent group in Britain."

The proportion of Catholics in Britain is about eight per cent, yet 35 per cent of the prisoners in Holloway Gaol (the chief women's prison in the country) are Catholics.

"And as for 'Biblical instruction' (reformatory) it is about 25 per cent."

Catholic spokesmen were not immediately available for comment. — Reuters.

UN HOPES FOR SETTLEMENT ON NEW GUINEA

United Nations, Dec. 12.

The General Assembly's Main Political Committee completed its work for this year today by adopting unanimously a resolution expressing hope for "fruitful" negotiations between the Netherlands and Indonesia over Dutch New Guinea.

The resolution was declared adopted by acclamation in the absence of any objection.

Dutch-Indonesian negotiations on West New Guinea (known to the Indonesians as West Irian) and other mutual problems began on Saturday in The Hague.

Thus, by a resolution carefully worded to win approval of both Governments, the UN disposed of, in a friendly way, what had threatened at the beginning of the session to be one of the Assembly's most explosive issues.

Considered Question

The resolution, sponsored by Ecuador, New Zealand, Norway and Syria goes to an Assembly plenary session for certain final approval.

As a concession to the Indonesian position, the resolution stated that the Assembly had "considered" the West Irian question.

Actually, discussion was confined to arguments early in the session in the steering committee and then the Assembly on October 3 voted to put the question on the 1955 agenda.

The Dutch and Australian delegations had objected strongly to any debate this year. Indonesia had failed last year to obtain an Assembly resolution calling for bilateral negotiations on West New Guinea.

The resolution approved today expressed hope for a peaceful settlement and noted that the Dutch and Indonesian governments had last week issued a joint statement agreeing, among other things, to talk over "certain problems concerning New Guinea." — United Press.

More German Prisoners Return

Berlin, Dec. 12.

THE first German prisoners to return home from Russian prison camps since repatriations came to a sudden stop on October 20 arrived in West Berlin today.

Part of a batch of 415 who arrived at Fuensteden transit camp in East Germany last night about 150 left the camp for West Germany today and 53 Germans and four Austrians arrived in West Berlin this morning.

Red Cross officials think more will be home in time for Christmas and they are waiting for news of more transports. It was believed 200 more prisoners were due to leave the Gorki assembly camp for Germany today.

Some of the men who arrived in Berlin today said they had gone in a hunger strike against the delay in returning them.

Technical Reasons

Soviet officials had told them the delay was due to "technical reasons" and "to his obligations" and "to technical reasons."

Some ex-prisoners thought the break in repatriations was due to "declassification" of earlier homecomings, and the Socialist newspaper, Nacht und Nebel, said tonight the prisoners should in future be received "with less noise" and not all be hailed as heroes.

It is widely believed in West Germany that the Russians regarded the agreement on repatriation reached by Chancellors, Konrad Adenauer in Moscow as part of the political deal under which West Germany agreed to establish diplomatic relations.

The seven-week break is therefore explained as a German move to prevent the return of German prisoners to Soviet hands as the first Soviet ambassador in Bonn is now expected to take up his post early next year. — Reuters.

Soho Brawl Trial

INTERPRETER NOT GUILTY

London, Dec. 12.

Christopher Gliniski, 34-year-old Polish interpreter, was today found not guilty of giving false evidence at the trial of Jack "Spot" Comer and Italian Albert Dimes.

The jury took 53 minutes to acquit Gliniski after the judge, in his summing-up, had referred to an alleged conversation between senior detectives and Gliniski and told them: "There is no mining of words in this case. The attitude of the defence is that those two police officers have invented this conversation, that it is a tissue of lies from beginning to end."

Saw Fight

The prosecution had claimed that Gliniski committed wilful perjury when he gave evidence for the defence at the trial of Comer and Dimes—who were both found not guilty of fighting with a man in Soho though both were badly wounded.

Gliniski then said he saw the fight but did not know Comer or where he lived.

At this trial, he maintained that his evidence was true.

Last week Jack Comer's wife, Margaret, was fined £50 for conspiring to rig evidence in her husband's defence. Three other men charged with her were gaoled. — China Mail Special.

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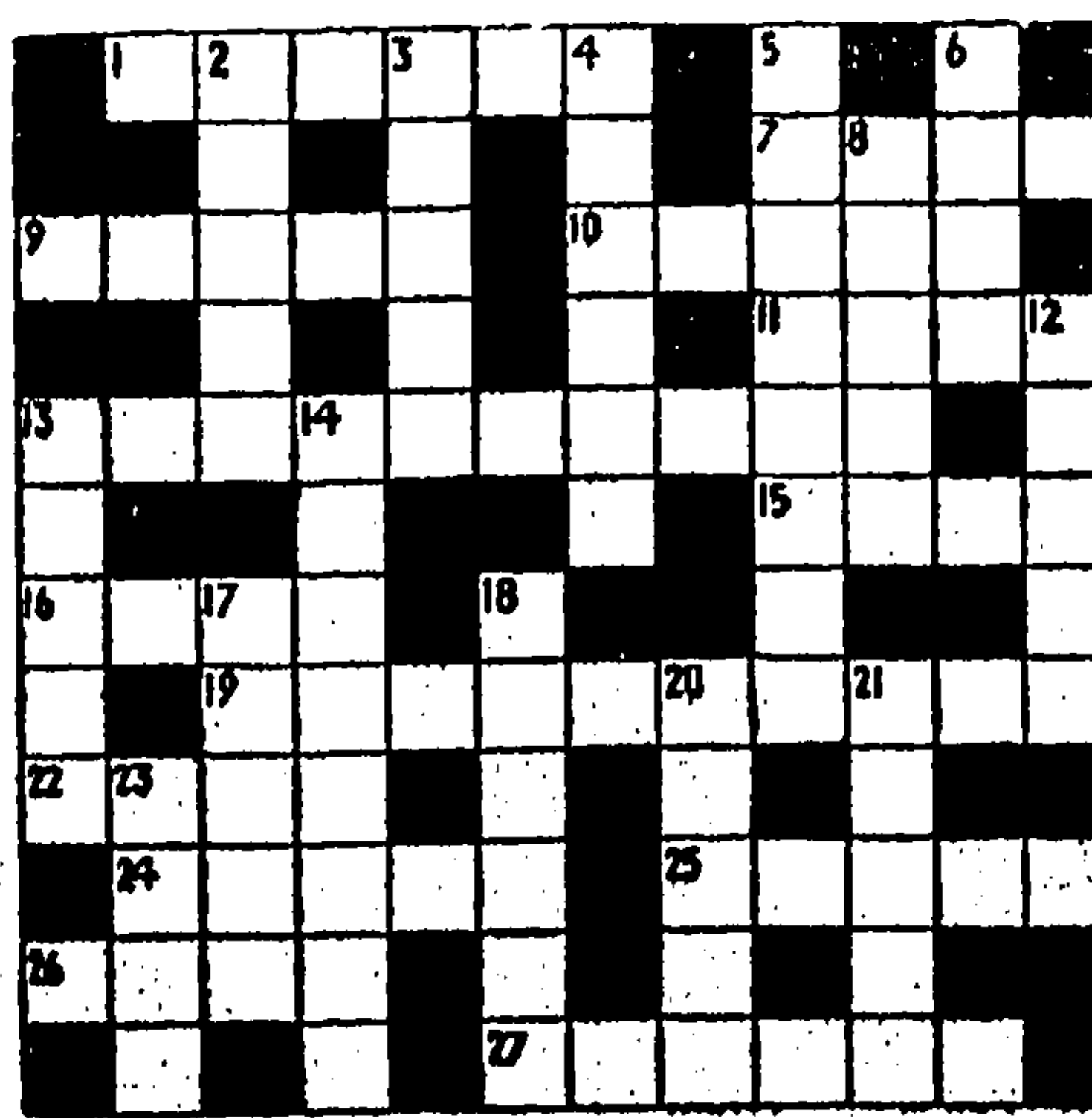
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A British Crossword Puzzle



- ACROSS
- 1 Lubricate (6).
 - 2 Lofy (4).
 - 3 Fruit (5).
 - 4 Not fresh (5).
 - 5 Present (4).
 - 6 Giving up hope (10).
 - 7 Before long (4).
 - 8 Prejudice (4).
 - 9 Reinforce (10).
 - 10 Scold (4).
 - 11 Deserve (5).
 - 12 Course (5).
 - 13 Mud (4).
 - 14 Bores (6).
- DOWN
- 1 Peals (5).
 - 2 Scant (5).
 - 3 Make certain of (8).
 - 4 Motionless (8).
 - 5 Musical key (4).
 - 6 Set straight (5).
 - 7 Joint part (5).
 - 8 Exclude (8).
 - 9 Plagued (6).
 - 10 Flower (6).
 - 11 Feverish (6).
 - 12 Elegance (6).
 - 13 Custom (5).
 - 14 Among (4).

YESTERDAY'S CROSSWORD.—Across: 1 Swamp, 4 Pinch, 5 Aching, 6 Spook, 10 Pied, 11 Remorse, 15 Vigil, 16 Fool, 17 Odds, 19 Gores, 20 Sustain, 21 Beam, 23 Stone, 24 Craven, 25 Brawl, 26 Eludes. Down: 1 Shampoo, 2 Achiness, 3 Pint, 5 Improper, 6 Choise, 8 Felon, 11 Distance, 12 Right, 13 Reserved, 14 Elements, 18 Duster, 22 Owl.

THE BRAIN BEHIND THE MOTOR CAR REVOLUTION

HARRY FEEGUSON

is lean, bespectacled, earnest, ascetic. He looks and talks like a university professor. But he acts with the self-assurance and daring bravado of a bull fighter with an atom bomb in his pocket.

He is an incurable idealist and he is a fantastically successful business man. He eludes all the fixed categories: just when you have neatly enumerated all his qualities he leaps up again in new guise like a man in the distorting mirrors of a fun fair.

His first love was airplanes; his latest is automobiles. But he made millions—no one can say just how many millions—out of tractors.

You could almost say he became a millionaire by accident—you would say it if it weren't for the fact you have a shrewd suspicion that real life doesn't ever provide plots quite like those of the brothers Grimm.

It happened like this: Harry Ferguson was born 71 years ago in Ireland. He grew up in Belfast with the automobile. He was still in his teens when he opened his first business: selling and servicing cars and motor-cycles.

The Hard Way

ON various occasions he was forced to make parts for the cars he was repairing. For Belfast was a long way from the then tiny centres of the motor industry, and the customers tended to get impatient.

Several times he discovered that by making the new part slightly different from the old he could effect an improvement. He learned the principles of engine design the hard way—by trial and error.

If Bleriot hadn't flown the English Channel in 1909, Ferguson's career might have been very different. But Bleriot stimulated his imagination and when, the same year, the Paris

By **LES ARMOUR**

Exhibition of Aviation was opened, Ferguson determined to go to it.

He came home with a new ambition: to build an airplane. In those days it was hard enough to build an airplane anywhere; in Belfast it was next to impossible. But Ferguson was determined.

Within a few months he had what looked like a monoplane. He wasn't sure that it would fly and he had one big problem: he couldn't calculate the balance.

"I had to balance the machine before it would fly," he says. And then he adds,

Basically the modern motor car differs little from its rattling progenitor. From an internal combustion engine power is transmitted mechanically to the rear driving wheels. Britain announces a complete breakaway; a fluid-turbine powered vehicle. Behind it is an inventive genius and self-made millionaire—Harry Ferguson (above).



"But I had to fly it to discover how to balance it."

He did. He made it come for himself with it. After all, it was Ireland's first airplane.

The publicity paid off—though not quite in the way Ferguson had hoped.

In 1914, with the outbreak of the First World War, the Irish Department of Agriculture realised that the first effect of the German blockade would be to transform Ireland from a bothersome, backward agricultural area which could barely keep itself alive into an area which would make the difference between success and starvation to the British people. They thought that mechanisation might turn the balance. And they bought up hundreds of tractors.

Trouble was that Ireland had very few mechanics—and tractors in the hands of men who had often as not never seen a tractor before were bound to need repairing.

What they needed was a mechanical genius who could keep the whole system running. They turned to Harry Ferguson. If he could build an airplane, they reasoned, he could keep a fleet of tractors going.

He did. He also saw things that made his blood boil.

The trouble was not that the tractors were no good. The trouble was that the men who designed them had very little idea of the uses to which they were going to be put.

No tractor ever came with a plough attached. And old horse-drawn ploughs were not easy to attach. No one had even thought of attaching other kinds of farm machinery to tractors.

He emerged from the war determined to revolutionise the tractor business. By 1920 he had worked out a plan for a tractor which could do everything from ploughing to water pumping. He built and sold several thousand tractor and plough units in the United

States between 1925 and 1928. By 1935, he had perfected the "Ferguson System" for multi-purpose tractors.

His tractors were light, cheap, and easily converted to any imaginable job.

In England, Sweden, Norway and Denmark, he built and sold 1,250 of them. Then, in 1938, he took his perfected tractor back to the United States and showed it to Henry Ford. He and Ford came to an agreement: Ferguson would supply the brains, Ford the mass production technique.

They built and sold 300,000 tractors between 1938 and 1947. Ferguson grew enormously rich, and Ford added new riches to old.

But the agreement between them was verbal and not one word was ever put on paper.

Meanwhile Ferguson made a similar agreement with Standard Motors: 1,000 tractors a week rolled out of the Standard plants.

That agreement was on paper.

The Henry Ford died. Henry Ford II went on using—and expanding—Ferguson's discoveries. But there was a hitch.

Ferguson charged that the original agreement had been broken. Henry Ford II said no such agreement existed.

Ferguson sued for £23 million—and set up his own plant in Detroit.

He didn't get the £20 million from Ford but Ford did settle for the remaining £3 million and made it three million guineas. Moreover, Ford agreed to step up Ferguson's patents.

The litigation took four years before Ford broke down and agreed to settle.

Never Happy

BUT Harry Ferguson was never happy running his own production line. It took up too much time better spent dreaming.

By that time he had political dreams, too. He argued that if the British Government, for instance, gave up nationalising the steel industry and spent the money instead on revolutionising agriculture the Ferguson way, there would be prosperity around the corner for everyone.

He took full page advertisements in the national newspapers at several thousand pounds a throw to crusade for industrial self-reliance.

He saw the politico-economic scene in simple terms of black and white—as though it were an engineering problem. Nothing at all came of his crusade and he withdrew from politics as quickly as he had entered.

Another Dream

BUT he wasn't bothered with his efforts on behalf of a misguided humanity.

He had another dream. This was about automobiles. He had the chance to turn out a revolutionary "People's Car" and he saw the chance to do a good turn for his fellow countrymen, too. In Belfast unemployment was, and is, rife. If he could make it another Detroit he could solve his problem.

To give him time and to expand his business at the same time, he did a deal with Massey-Harris—the world's other great tractor making firm, run by Canada's Governor-General Vincent Massey.

He merged his firm with Massey-Harris. He got roughly a quarter interest in the combined firm. Massey-Harris took over the management and he took over design and engineering. To even things up, Ferguson became chairman of the combined company.

Shortly afterwards he sold out nearly his whole interest for £2 million.

He had decided that he needed the liquid capital for his new car project.

The move indicated a sharp turnabout in his thinking. As recently as 1948 he had urged American auto makers to slow down car making so that they could make more tractors.

His Secret

WHAT the world really needed, he said, was an agricultural revolution. Cars were merely trills. Tractors would work for humanity.

But it seemed that he had decided that humanity would not save itself and the best he could do was to help to make life a little more tolerable.

The new car was to have a completely automatic gear system, no brakes, four wheel steering so it could go sideways, four wheel drive so it would go anywhere and an engine which worked off fluid turbine drive. It was to usher in a revolution.

Ferguson's plan was—and is—to do the kind of deal he did with his tractors: get someone to make them under license while he conducted the research and pioneered the design. It looks now as though the

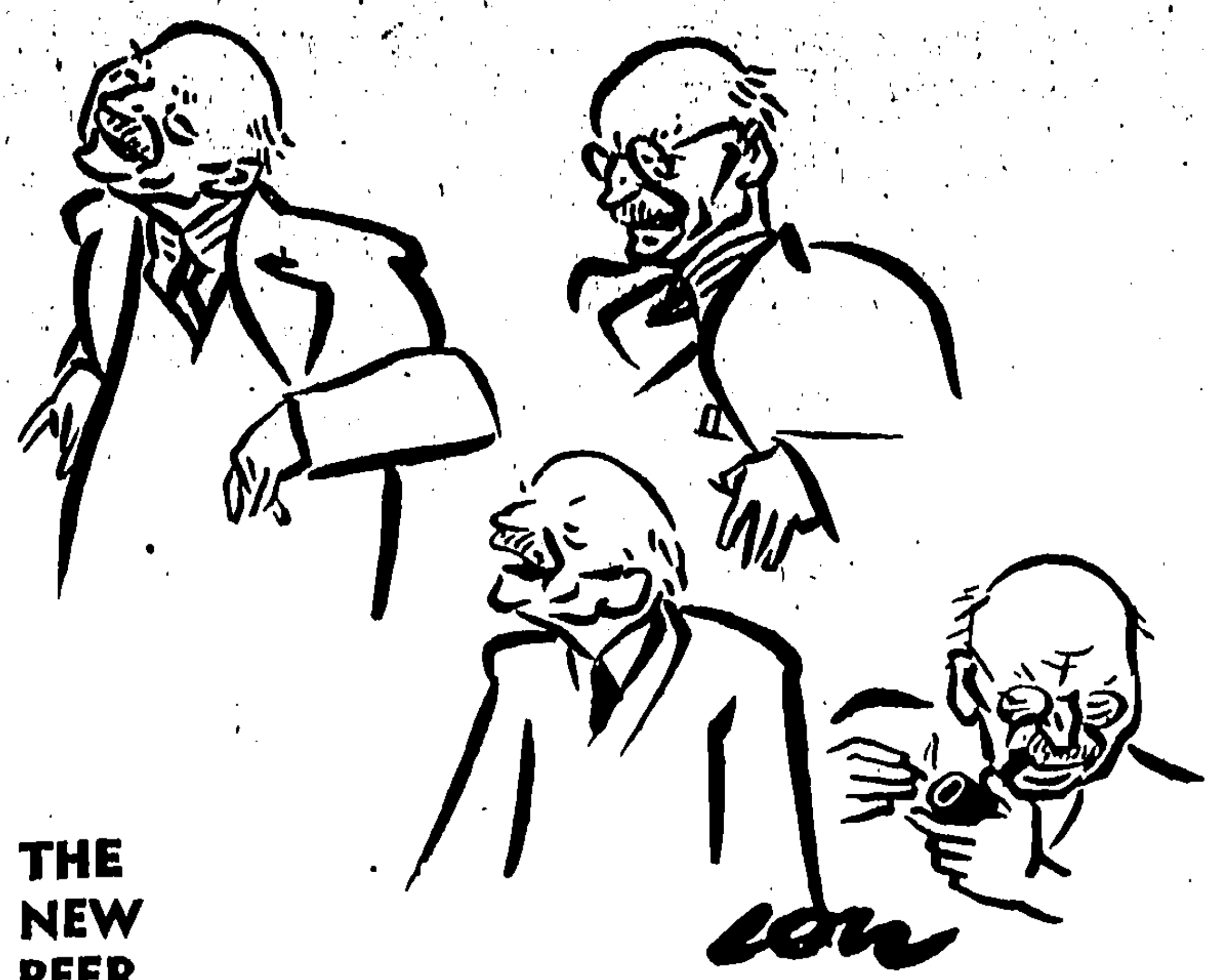
"People's Car" idea—it was to sell for under £200—has been temporarily shelved. The first cars, which will probably be built in Belfast, are likely to be luxury jobs costing a sizable amount of money.

But the People's Car is still his dream.

And now that he has Sir Miles Thomas—the man who made BOAC hum—with him, he may well pull it off.

Meanwhile he lives on his 4,000-acre farm in Stoke-on-the-Wald, Gloucestershire, directing operations. He still dresses every night for dinner, maintains a stock of the best cigars and a first class wine cellar and lives in gracious ease. But he smokes hardly at all—he won't even tolerate a cigarette in the room with him, drinks less and eats sparingly.

He prefers a little of the very good to a lot of the mediocre. And perhaps that is the secret of his success.



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THE OTHER MR BUTLER TOTS UP

WHY DID THE SOCIALISTS LOSE THE LAST ELECTION?

By **ROBERT BLAKE**

MR DAVID BUTLER is one of the leading exponents of that new and intriguing study—"psephology," or the science of elections.

He wrote an admirable survey of the General Election of 1951. He has now produced, with a speed which reflects much credit both upon himself and his publishers, an equally admirable survey of the General Election of 1955.

If it contains nothing very startling or original, that must be regarded as the fault of the election, not of Mr Butler.

Dull business

For the general election of 1955, despite television—the effect of which (apart from Sir Anthony Eden's undoubted success) still remains uncertain—was a dull business.

True, it was the first occasion of modern times when a party in power has actually increased its majority, but there were in general few issues, no scares or stunts, and little to make it memorable.

Nevertheless Mr Butler's book is well worth reading.

The British General Election of 1955, by D. E. Butler (Macmillan 24s.)

One of the chief uses of a study like this is its value in dispelling the myths and misconceptions with which partisanship and prejudice so quickly befog recent history.

The myths

I cannot help suspecting that such episodes as "Chinese slavery" or the Zinoviev letter would not figure quite so prominently in our history books if surveys of this kind had appeared in earlier times.

Already there are signs that certain myths are gaining currency with regard to the 1955 election. For example it is widely maintained that the Socialists only lost because their party machine was rusty.

Yet Mr Butler's researches show that party organisation had little effect on the results, and that some of the Socialists' best performances took place in constituencies where they had virtually no organisation at all.

Another widely accepted myth is that the Tories won, not because they converted the "floating vote," but because of Socialist apathy. On the face of things the diminished poll and the fact

that, compared with 1951, the Socialist vote fell by one and a half million, whereas the Tory vote fell by less than half a million, might seem to confirm this theory.

But, as Mr Butler points out, analysis of constituency results does not bear it out.

Were it true, we should expect the constituencies with the greatest fall in turnout to show the greatest swing to the Tories.

In fact no such pattern emerges. The Tory victory may have been due to Socialist apathy, but there is no proof. The "floating vote" may still exist.

Boomerang

The truth is that, despite all that has been written on this important subject, no one really knows for certain why people change their allegiance or abstain from voting—why, in fact, parties lose or gain power.

Mr Butler is far too shrewd to suggest that "psephology" supplies the answers.

It is, however, reasonable to guess that the Tory victory of 1955 was partly the result of national prosperity, partly a "boomerang" consequence of the Socialist scares of 1951: "Whose finger on the trigger? The Tories will destroy the Welfare

State. Unemployment will rocket."

None of these dire predictions came true.

No doubt even in 1951 few people genuinely believed that Sir Winston Churchill would precipitate a third world war, but quite a number may have sincerely feared a decline in full employment and a reduction in social benefits.

Kill-joys

Three and a half years of Tory rule effectively showed that these fears were illara. Sir Winston Churchill and Sir Anthony Eden have successfully dispelled, one hopes for ever, the absurd myth that the Tories were a party of hard-faced business men battering upon the impoverished workers.

They were helped in their task by the attitude of their opponents, who did little to avoid the appearance of being doctrinaire kill-joys who hankered after rationing and controls out of a love of drabness for drabness's sake.

How far did "psephology" itself affect the election? Do public opinion polls actually have repercussions on the way people vote? Mr Butler convincingly concludes that despite the stentorian cry of our modern Cobbeit, Mr A. J. P. Taylor—"Down with Psephology"—it really makes very little difference.

Opinion polls

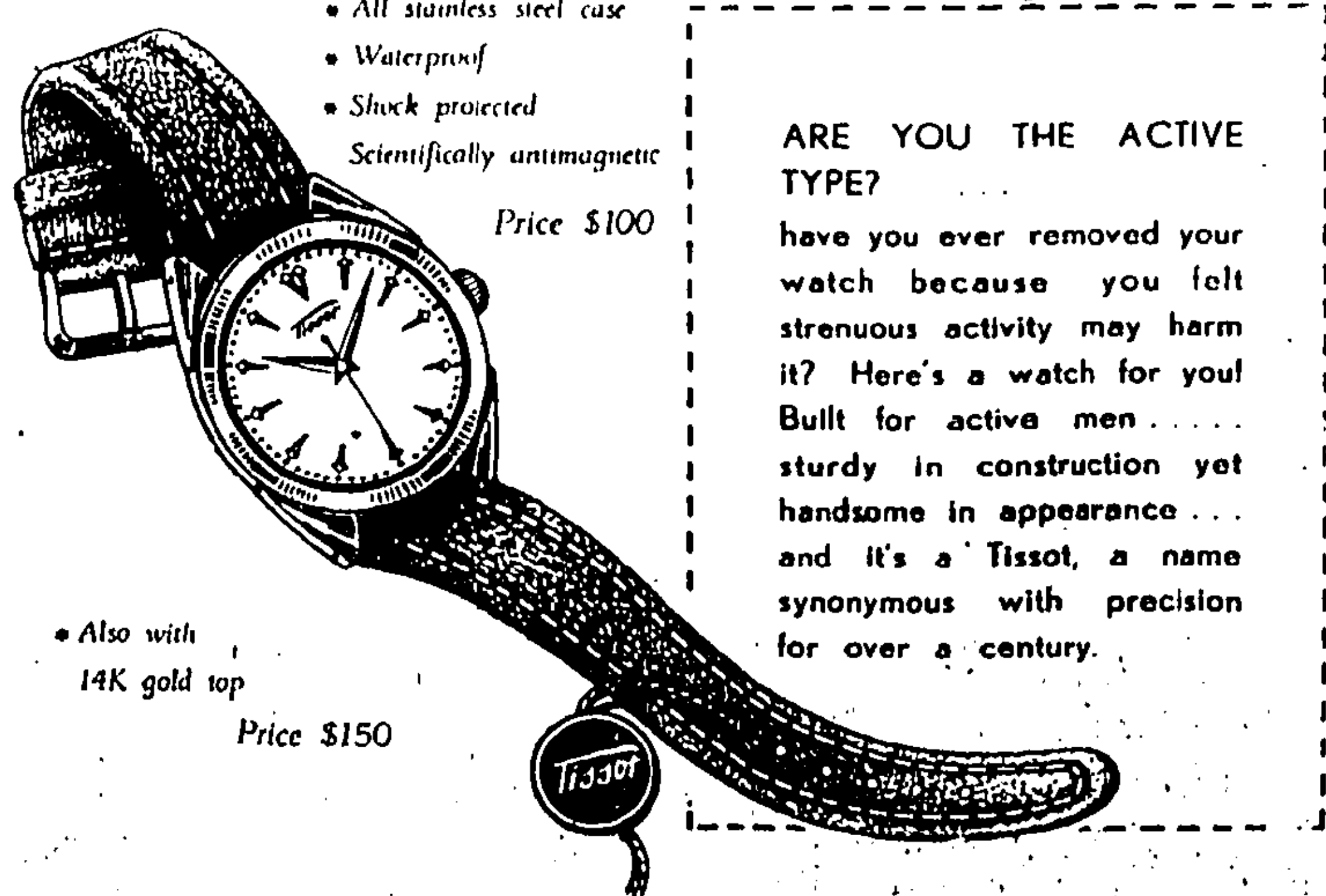
Opinion polls were certainly accurate, the Daily Express being nearest, within 0.8 per cent of the final figures for all three parties.

But these figures mask a number of results which defied the general trend, especially in that well-known home of lost causes, the county of Norfolk.

Admittedly the uniformity of well-drilled partisan battalions has done much to destroy the fun of General Elections.

But it is agreeable to know that, even in this remote mid-20th century, someone can stand for the second time on a programme of legalised cock-fighting and home rule for Cumberland and increase his vote—though not alas, save his deposit.

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COMMUNIST "GIFT WAR" IN ASIA EXPOSED

By **JAMES WICKENDEN**

WESTERN experts are measuring the dangers of the Russian "gift war" in Asia, where Bulganin and Krushchev are now on tour.

Russia and her satellites have begun offering lorries, oil-gear power stations, cables, cement, and many other goods on a big scale to the whole of mainland Asia except Pakistan, Siam and Southern Vietnam.

But the West will make no immediate counter-move.

HOLLOW GESTURES

London and Washington are agreed that Krushchev has overplayed his hand in India, where sharp pro-Russian reactions followed his "subliming" anti-West speech.

There is expected to show the hollowness of the "trade" offered by the Communists. Various Russian gambits are already being exposed.

For example, Russia bought large stocks of surplus rice from Burma and then sold it to Communist North Vietnam—merely acting as a broker—and North Vietnam is one of the richest rice-producing areas in Asia.

This is "dumping" goods which are not required on a satellite.

The Czechs are offering Burma cotton yarn, but this is probably the cotton the Czechs are getting from Egypt in payment for the arms deal.

China is offering India 80,000 tons of steel although Peking is desperately short of it. Possibly the metal will really come from Russia. Clearly the object is to create an impression rather than do real business.

By this flurry of offers the Communists are giving the appearance of opening new markets to Asia, promoting local development, plans and building good relations.

But most of the deals are "one-shot" and will not recur. It is unlikely, for instance, that

the Czechs will want more cotton from Egypt next year.

And the general effect of "dumping" is to dislocate normal trade channels. The West is aware that the Japanese are already complaining of Chinese sales of paper, medicines and cotton goods in Asia at below cost.

NO USE FOR THEM

These same goods came from Russia and are listed by Li Chih-fen, Deputy Minister of Foreign Trade, as those which "will materially improve our people's livelihood." In fact, the Chinese are getting rid of Russian goods they have found no use for.

The London view is that temporary trade agreements will not help solve the long-term Asian problems of raising productivity. Only permanent and detailed schemes such as the Colombo Plan and American aid programmes can do this. However, no one is complacent enough to think the Russians have played their last card.

POCKET CARTOON by OSBERT LANCASTER



JACOBY ON BRIDGE

Bid In No-Trump Needed Care

By OSWALD JACOBY

WHEN today's hand was played in the recent National Championships in Chicago, several experts played the hand at three no-trump and had the humiliation of losing the first five heart tricks. The good bidders played the hand at five clubs, but not all of them made that excellent contract.

The opening lead was the jack of hearts at all tables, and the suit was continued. South ruffing the second round. Several declarers drew the jack of spades, after drawing trumps, and felt betrayed when this finesse unaccountably lost to the queen. These players lost a spade, a heart, and a diamond, one trick too many for the contract.

The proper play is demonstrated by George C. Felt, one of America's top comparative new players for expert circles. He has no reason to take the suit as the play will be the same to put two later in the first round.

NORTH 10			
♥K 9 3			
♦K 8 5			
♣A 8 4			
♠K 1 2			
WEST EAST (D)			
♥Q 6	♥10 8 7 5 2		
♦J 10 9 4 2	♦A K Q 3		
♣7 5 3 2	♣Q J 9		
♠6 4	♠5		
SOUTH			
♥A J 4			
♦7			
♣K 10 6			
♠A Q 10 8 3			
North-South vs			
East South West North			
1 ♠ 2 ♠ Pass 2 NT			
Pass 3 ♣ Pass 3 ♣			
Pass 4 ♣ Pass 5 ♣			
Pass Pass Pass			
Opening lead—♥J			

After ruffing the second heart, Forstner drew two rounds of trumps, called dummy's last heart, and cashed the top diamonds. He got out with the diamond that he was sure to lose sooner or later, allowing East to win the trick.

East had to lead a spade, of course, since another heart return would have given declarer a ruff and a discard. Forstner played a low spade from his hand, and West's queen was trapped. No further finesse was necessary.

The first line thus turned out to be enough, but Forstner wasn't completely dependent on catching the queen of spades in this way. If only the ten of spades had appeared on the first round, he would have won with dummy's king of spades and would still have been in position to try the normal finesse in the queen.

♥-CARD SENSE-♦

Q—The bidding has been:
West North East South
1 Heart 1 Spade Pass ?
You, South, hold:
♥K 5 4 2-♥A K Q J 9 4-♠K 3
What do you do?
A—Bid three diamonds. You intend to raise to game in spades if North can ruff his suit. You will pass three no-trump. Otherwise you will push on to game in diamonds.

TODAY'S QUESTION
The bidding has been:
North East South West
1 Heart Pass 1 Spade Pass
1 NT Pass ?
You, South, hold:
♥A Q 8 5 ♥6 3 ♦J 10 3 ♠7 5 2
What do you do?
Answer Tomorrow

BY THE WAY by Beachcomber

MAY 38,425 cartons of handkerchiefs run away with me if I am not saved by the new stainless steel handkerchiefs.

The material, I read, has been chemically treated (like most drinks), so that a girl who is really enjoying herself can throw away her handkerchiefs all over herself and everybody else without the least embarrassment. It promises to be such fun that vintners are already making a cheap brand of drink for throwing away like the famous Throwing Brand of Ballou years ago, in time and after more research, wine merchants and chemists may combine to produce a chemical that can either be drunk or used to treat clothes.

(TOMORROW: How to reorganize (savage) capital on an attractive basis.)

If I may
A critic complains that in a recent production of a Wagner opera the words were inaudible. If, says the critic, the words were inaudible, a critic could be found of making the music inaudible. A Wagner night would be peaceful beyond the dream of a critic.

A new Snibbo product
The Snibbo all-purpose drink, a Snibbo, can be used to stain.

This Funny World



"I told you this tomb had a curse on it. Here come my wife and her mother."

YOUR BIRTHDAY

By STELLA

TUESDAY, DECEMBER 13

BORN today, you are an adventurous and daring person. You are always taking risks and you are not afraid to be laughed at. You are a natural leader and you are always in the center of the circle. You are a natural leader and you are always in the center of the circle. You are a natural leader and you are always in the center of the circle.

After the second heart, Forstner drew two rounds of trumps, called dummy's last heart, and cashed the top diamonds. He got out with the diamond that he was sure to lose sooner or later, allowing East to win the trick.

East had to lead a spade, of course, since another heart return would have given declarer a ruff and a discard. Forstner played a low spade from his hand, and West's queen was trapped. No further finesse was necessary.

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BOYS' AND GIRLS' MAGAZINE

Kitten On The Carpet

—Purr Purr Finds It's Best Not To Explain—

By MAX TRELL

HANID took Purr Purr, the white kitten, in her lap. The kitten curled up and made ready to shut her big green eyes. But Hanid gave her a gentle shake.

"Now you mustn't go to sleep, dear," Hanid told her. "I'm going to send you about something."

Purr Purr just sat waiting for Hanid to scold her. She didn't seem at all upset or worried. You might have even said that Purr Purr didn't seem to care what she was going to be scolded about. She just waited calmly and contentedly in Hanid's lap.

Kitten Is Scolded

"Now what I'm going to scold you about," said Hanid, "is this: This morning when I came into the room, I saw you trying to stick your paw into the bottle of ink."

Hanid paused to give Purr Purr a chance to explain, if she would, why she had been trying to stick her paw into the bottle of ink. But Purr Purr remained silent. Hanid therefore went on.

"I suppose, Purr Purr, that you were trying to stick your paw into the bottle of ink because you intended to write a letter. Is that so?"

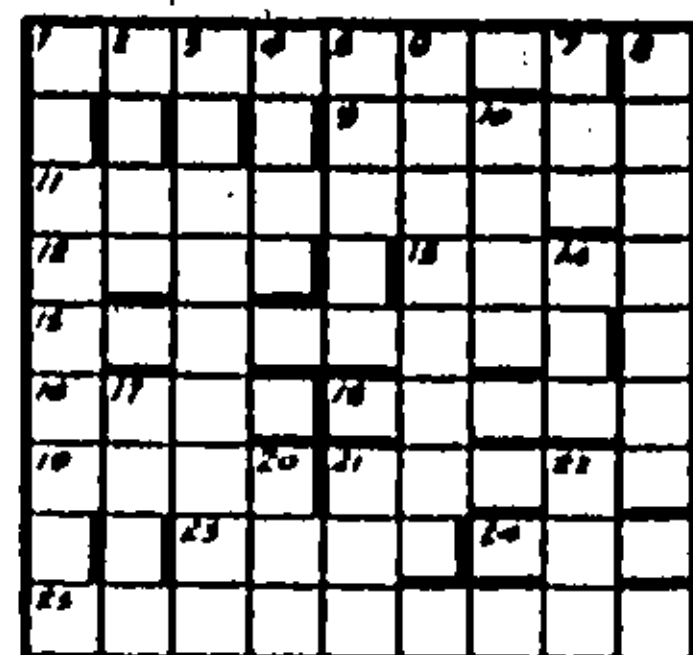
The kitten did not answer whether that was so or that was not so. Hanid decided to answer the question by herself.

An Unusual Talent

"So you did intend to write a letter, my dear. I'm pleased at that, of course, for there aren't many kittens that I know of who ever intend to write a letter. In fact, there aren't many kittens who even know how to write or to spell. But Purr Purr—"

The kitten looked at Hanid with a puzzled expression.

CROSSWORD



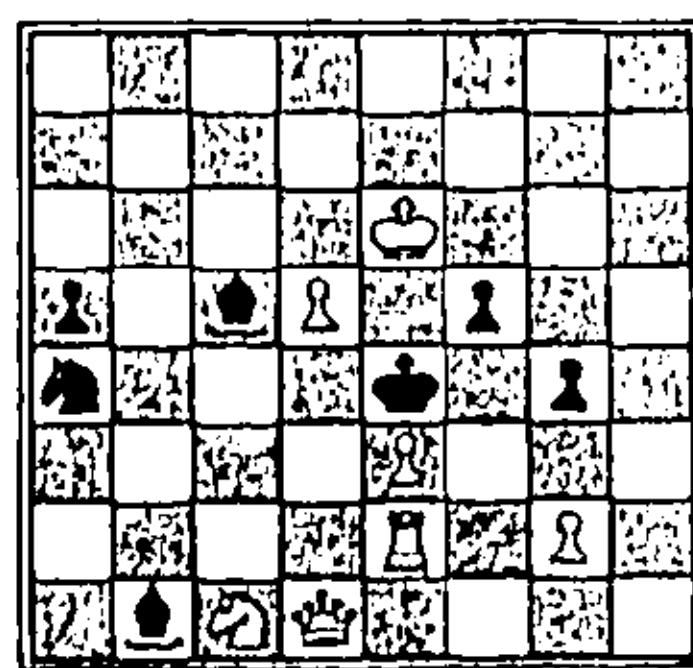
- Across
1. Address the cubic centimetre as three-quarters iron (8)
2. He backs, slips and stumbles (5)
3. Pull up by the roots (5)
4. The sapper follows the artist (4)
5. "How do — to her husband," said Shaw (4)
6. My lady — said Barrie (5)
7. Fallen for a film (4)
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9. It sets off the Wembley car (4)
10. It's a long road that never does this (5)
11. They set down to the bottom of the bottle (4)
12. Peter and soprano maybe (3)
13. They set to work, inviting you to eat (5-4)

- Down
1. Bag for pyjamas (9)
2. Oil in the decoration (4)
3. A coach, I think (5)
4. I'd get around the first two ways (4)
5. He's linked with a singer in a club (5)
6. A blanda (5)
7. Pen return (3)
8. A living for the pawnbroker (7)
9. One up (4)
10. It's returned in 23 Across (3)
11. An unpopular wartime article (5)
12. Allow the tenant in (4)
13. Busy plump with a down in Cumberland (10)
14. It's a word that won't go off (5)

Answers to yesterday's crossword puzzle are: Across 1. Three-quarters iron, 2. He backs, slips and stumbles, 3. Pull up by the roots, 4. The sapper follows the artist, 5. "How do — to her husband," said Shaw, 6. My lady — said Barrie, 7. Fallen for a film, 8. Trim in Edwardian novels, 9. It sets off the Wembley car, 10. It's a long road that never does this, 11. They set down to the bottom of the bottle, 12. Peter and soprano maybe, 13. They set to work, inviting you to eat.

CHESS PROBLEM

By G. SMIT
Black, 7 pieces.



White, 7 pieces.
White to play mate in two.
Solution to yesterday's problem:
1. P-P any, 2. Q. R. or K mates

WOMANSENSE

For The Parents Of The Girls Desserts With Like This... Holiday Flavour

By ALICE DENHOFF

TO give a holiday flavour to any meal, to honour company, it is wise to select a special dessert, but one that isn't too hard on the preparer, a delicacy such as individual Gingerbread Alaska.

Empty the contents of a package of prepared gingerbread mix into a mixing bowl. Add ½ c. cold water or milk to the mixture. Stir vigorously until free from lumps; stir in ½ c. more water or milk gradually. Pour into large-sized greased muffin pans or 8 individual baking cups. Bake at 375° F. for 25 to 30 minutes. Remove muffins from pan and allow to cool thoroughly.

Carefully cut a cone from the centre of each muffin. Fill cavity with vanilla ice cream. Top with meringue made by beating 2 egg whites until stiff, then adding ¼ tsp. salt, ½ tsp. vanilla and ¼ c. sugar gradually. Continue beating until mixture is fine-grained and will hold its shape. Return to hot oven (425° F.) for about 3 minutes or until top of meringue is lightly browned. Must be served immediately.

Also in the holiday gingerbread vein, here's another recipe for a delicious cake.

Combine ½ c. chopped raisins, ¼ c. chopped citron and tsp. grated orange rind. Mix a batch of quickly prepared gingerbread mix. Pour the prepared gingerbread batter into a loaf pan; sprinkle the fruit mixture evenly over the top. Bake as directed on the package. Serve hot, cut in squares. Serves 8. A batch of fruit cake will add that extra touch to any meal, and turn just a run-of-the-mill affair into something special. Chop 2 c. cranberries; add to ½ c. thinned pineapple tidbits, 1½ c. sugar and ½ tsp. salt. Let stand for 2 to 3 hours. Just before serving, add 2 diced bananas. Fill 6 tart shells with mixture and top with ½ c. whipped cream. What could be easier?



PICTURE BY JOHN FRENCH

How To Receive Compliments Graciously

By JEANNE D'ARCY

"WHAT a pretty dress!" "You have a darling nose!"

They're compliments, something every woman likes to get, but not many women know how to receive them graciously.

To prove this point, we conducted a little experiment one day. We passed out compliments to four women, and here are the results of the test.

We told a future receptionist we envied her figure, it was so slim and trim.

"Do you really think so?" she said incredulously. "I simply have to go on a diet. I've got to lose at least 10 pounds."

We protested. "No," she argued. "I just feel too fat for words."

We felt positively apologetic after defending our compliment. Maybe we should get glasses but, still, she didn't look fat to us.

We told a secretary she had a most attractive dress on; it was extremely becoming.

"This old thing?" she said disdainfully. "Why, I've had it for years!"

More faulty judgment on our part.

The little typist had a real chic pair of shoes on. We mentioned them.

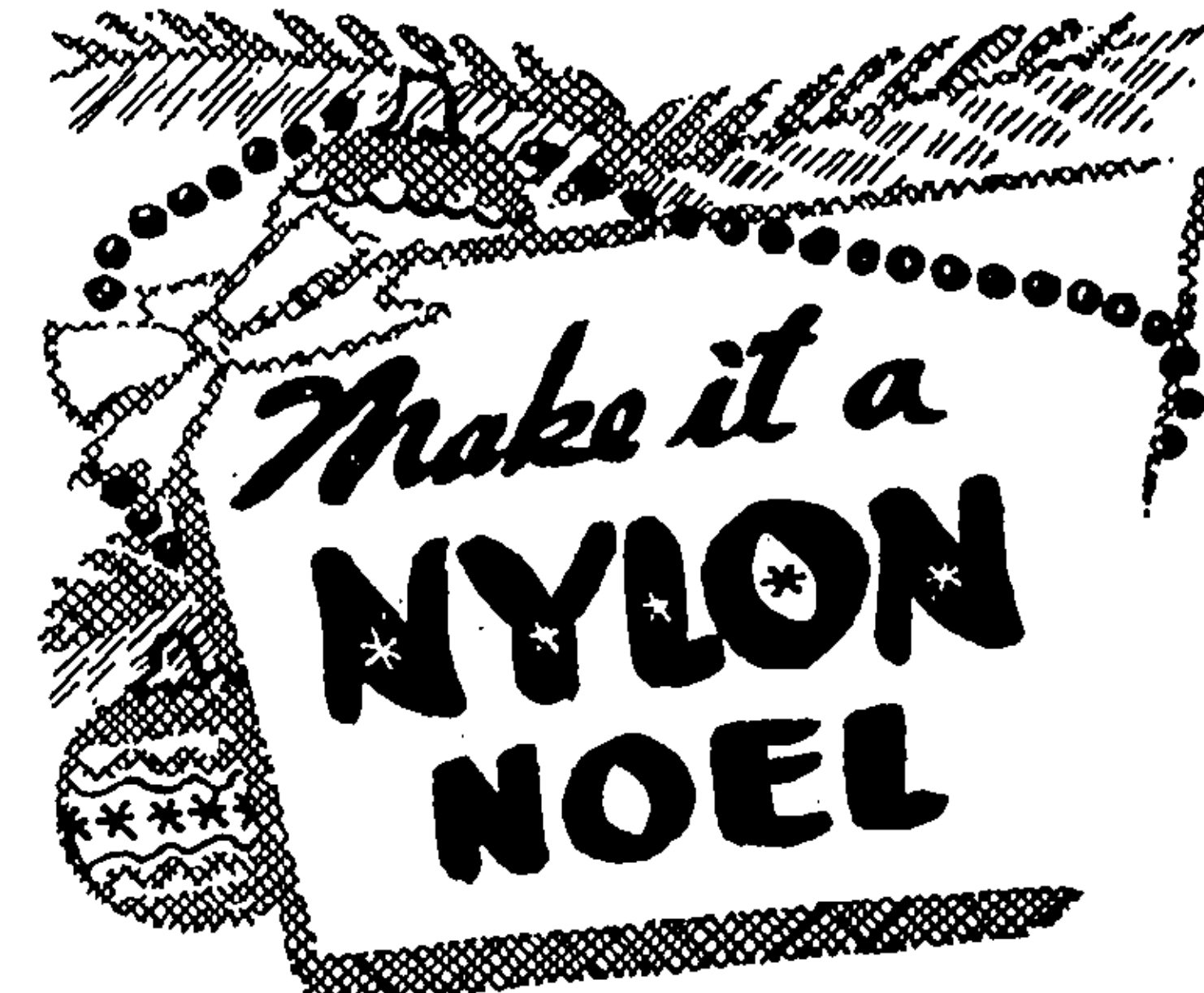
"These?" she said. "Geel! They're just cheap shoes, nothing special."

Well, we were wrong again. We asked another girl where she had her hair cut; it was such an attractive coiffure.

"Why, thank you very much," she said. "I'm so glad you like it."

Only one of the four, she was the only one who knew how to take a compliment gracefully and, in our opinion, she's the only one who deserved one.

When people say something nice to you, don't disagree. It makes it seem as if you question their opinions and judgment.



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Rupert's Deep Sea Adventure—50



The diving suit has such heavy feet that Rupert and the Sooty soon tire of pulling it along. "I have an idea," says Geoffrey. "Let's drag it well above high tide mark and remember the spot. Then somebody else can help us to fetch it later on." So they find a safe place for it. "Now come on," says Geoffrey. "Your friends must see you at once. I'll lead the way, but you must promise to tell me the whole story soon." They clamber along the rough rocks until at last Geoffrey appears.

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FIRST 100 HOME IN SATURDAY'S CROSS COUNTRY

The following were the first 100 home in Saturday's Colony and Land Forces Cross Country Championships at San Wai. It was quite an achievement to be in the first 100 as more than 200 completed the course.

There are four names missing between the 80th and 104th places and we regret that the order of finish is incorrect here, but that was the fault of individual recorders and it appears that at least one runner was recorded as having finished twice, but this error did not affect the finishing order of any of the teams.

Placings here are not as those given in the team score sheets as individual entries finishing in the first 100 are listed.

1. Cpl MAA H H. Paper Royal	16. Cpl Hanahang Limbu, 2/2
2. Pte J. F. Joyce, N. Staffs	17. Cpl G. J. Collett, 74 LAA Regt
3. Pte J. H. Alderton, Essex	18. Pte J. King's Own
4. Cpl N. H. C. Talbot, 123 LAA	19. Cpl Britenden, 6 COB
5. Cpl A. J. Smith, King's Own	20. Cpl Hodgkinson, REME
6. Pte J. H. Alderton, Essex	21. Rfn Dhanabhadur Gurung, 2/2
7. Pte J. H. Alderton, Essex	22. Rfn Dhanabhadur Gurung, 2/2
8. Pte J. H. Alderton, Essex	23. Rfn Dhanabhadur Gurung, 2/2
9. Pte J. H. Alderton, Essex	24. Rfn Dhanabhadur Gurung, 2/2
10. Pte J. H. Alderton, Essex	25. Rfn Dhanabhadur Gurung, 2/2
11. Pte J. H. Alderton, Essex	26. Rfn Dhanabhadur Gurung, 2/2
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13. Pte J. H. Alderton, Essex	28. Rfn Dhanabhadur Gurung, 2/2
14. Pte J. H. Alderton, Essex	29. Rfn Dhanabhadur Gurung, 2/2
15. Pte J. H. Alderton, Essex	30. Rfn Dhanabhadur Gurung, 2/2

43 Teams Quoted In English FA Cup Callover

London, Dec. 12. Forty-three teams were quoted after a busy callover on the Football Association Cup at the Victoria Cup here tonight.

Prices ranged from 9-1 against Sunderland to 5,000-1 against the non-League team, Bedford, who visit Arsenal for the third round.

Next to Sunderland came Manchester United, Wolverhampton Wanderers and Portsmouth at 100-8.

Sunderland jumped from third to top place in the betting after being quoted 100 to nine in the first callover on November 11. They are at home to Third Division Norwich City in the third round, the draw for which was made today.

Wolverhampton Wanderers, favourites at the first callover, dropped slightly in the betting. They are at home to West Bromwich Albion in an all-Midland clash in the third round.

Best backed were Sunderland and Tottenham, both supported to win about £12,000 sterling. Most of those quoted though were backed for good money, and among the outsiders Sheffield United had support to win £10,000 sterling.

Sheffield United are at home to Third Division club Barnsley in the next round.

Newcastle United, last year's winners and away to Sheffield Wednesday in the next round, are quoted at 22-1.

Arsenal dropped slightly to 20-1 and Tottenham Hotspur, who meet Boston United, "giant killers" of the second round, dropped from the 50's to 33-1.

Boston, another non-League side, beat Third Division Derby County 6-1 in the second round. They were offered at 2,500 to one.

Outside the First Division the shortest odds were 100-1.

Odds quoted were:

9-1 against Sunderland.

100-8 Manchester United, Wolverhampton Wanderers, Portsmouth.

100-7 Bolton Wanderers.

100-6 Charlton Athletic, Preston North End.

18-1 Burnley.

20-1 Arsenal and Chelsea.

22-1 Manchester City, Everton, Newcastle United.

25-1 Blackpool, West Bromwich Albion, Luton Town.

28-1 Birmingham.

33-1 Tottenham Hotspur.

40-1 Sheffield United, Aston Villa.

60-1 Huddersfield, Cardiff City.

100-1 Bristol City, Sheffield Wednesday, Liverpool.

125-1 Bristol Rovers, Leeds United.

150-1 Leicester City.

200-1 West Ham United.

250-1 Bury.

1000-1 Norwich City, Halifax Town, Burton, Hull City.

1800-1 Hartlepool, Accrington Stanley.

2000-1 Shrewsbury, Torquay United, Southport, Grimsby Town.

2500-1 Barrow, Borton.

5000-1 Bedford.—China Mail Special.

LIMBERING UP



Lothouse (right), the England centre-forward who made a dramatic attempt to get himself fit following a pulled muscle, pictured with Finney in training for the England versus Spain match played on November 30. England won 4-1.—Central Express Photo.

Police Did Not Deserve To Win This Match

Says "PAK LO"

Yesterday evening the Club "B", playing through-out with only fourteen men, went under to the Police by 12 points (3 tries 1 dropped goal) to 5 points (1 goal) under the floodlights in a match which the Police did not deserve to win.

The Club "B", playing with only seven men in the forwards, lost the ball in the set scrums where the weight of the Police pack gave the latter a decided advantage.

The Police also won the line-outs, for they at least jumped for the ball while the Club seemed rooted to the ground.

But behind the scrums there was a terrible difference. The Club side when they got the ball started their three moving and they looked dangerous, at all times though the centres were a little greedy. The Police literally threw the game away behind the scrum.

Never have the Police made so many fumbles and never were such horrible passes sent out by the halves. They went in any direction but the right one and not one of the Police back division with the exception of Johnstone was on form.

ASTRONOMICAL SCORE

Had even half of the passes which the Police threw away gone out to the wing the Police-men would have left the field with an astronomical score.

When the ball did move out towards the Police wings the Club backs were always waiting to tackle with Valentine well to the fore.

Of the Police the best was Ross in the lineouts where he was a tower of strength, and in the loose where he was always up on the ball, while Bryan had a good game as open side wing forward.

Had the Club had the extra men in the forwards the result would have been vastly different, for the Club forwards on the whole had more punch in their attacks.

It was not until the 20th minute that the Police attacking, won a scrum on the Club 25 and the ball came back to Walker who dropped a beautiful goal from about half way out, 3-0.

After this the Club pulled up their socks and the three began to see a little of the ball and with Penman in the van nearly scored a couple of times. Valentine and Penman made great use of the scissors movement, but they used it too often and had they fed their wings might have done better.

In the second half within minutes of the kickoff the Police scored, again when they caught the Club three in possession and Bryan following up well touched down the loose ball, 6-0.

DOUBTFUL SCORE

Once again the Club attacked, but Johnstone invariably saved the day with some nice touch.

MY BOXING SECRETS

CONTINUING THE STORY NEVER TOLD BEFORE

Fight Purse Stuffed In My Shoes

By JOHNNY BEST

Whenever I hear the tune "The Yanks are Coming" I think of the stadium—that is, if I haven't been thinking of it already.

Truly, we have had all the Americans who matter here, from Joe Louis down, and when I say "down," I don't mean literally, for the latest of them, Artie Towne, is no small-timer when it comes to the demolition business. Ask Willie Armstrong and Johnny Sullivan.

The great Joe boxed a couple of exhibitions in the stadium for me and high-ranking American officers, but he was so bored with the work-out routine after a comprehensive tour of US camps in Europe, that he looked as if he couldn't have demolished a paper bag.

It was all right for the uninitiated, but I tremble to think what my regular stadium followers would have had to say. They wouldn't have stopped to consider that great champion and great gentleman Joe Louis was just a tired-out boy.

There was another great American who didn't impress in his first public work-out in the stadium—probably the greatest southpaw I ever saw, Freddie Miller. That was a memorable period in our history when Freddie and his manager, the late Pete Reilly, were with us.

HIS BUNKER

When they start to erect statues to managers, Pete Reilly will be among the first to be honoured. He was a great man. Do you know that the first thing he'd do when he'd drawn Freddie's money—and that was quite a bit of money, for Freddie fought as many as four times in a week—was to send part of it back to the States, where he was building up an annuity for the fighter.

They called him the Silver Fox, but so far as I am concerned he was pure gold. He never took on a fighter for his camp without first having a blood test made to make sure the boy was absolutely fit for the game, and all his boxers had to wear headgear in sparring, and gargle after every training spell. Nothing was left to chance with Pete. I don't know every manager was like him.

He was a dollar millionaire a couple of times, but he loved to gamble, and that was his little in the kitty at the end.

The little man's eyes mist over at the recollection of his friend, and, "to make a break, he gets up from his chair and peers down into the stadium. He resumes.

It was talking about that poor little Joe Louis's that set me thinking about Pete and Freddie Miller, for when I

Ban Hoad And Rosewall From Amateur Tennis?

Melbourne, Dec. 12. Reports from America that the Australian Davis Cup stars Lewis Hoad and Ken Rosewall should be banned from amateur tennis, because of a document they signed when Jack Kramer was trying to get them to turn professional, "sounded like a lot of nonsense," Don Ferguson, President of the Lawn Tennis Association of Australia, said tonight.

"We have heard nothing official about the matter from any country and do not anticipate it will be discussed officially," he added.

It would have to be discussed at the International Lawn Tennis Association meeting next year before there could be any prospect of an official move.—China Mail Special.

TEAMS

Club "B": Stone, MacCallum, Penman, Weymouth, Ross, Valentine, Steward, Slack, Clarke, Carpenter, Ansell, Elliott, Kerr, Campbell.

Police: Johnstone, O'Regan, Brown, Lloyd, Nash, Walker, Leitch, Brown, Cunningham, Purves, Shelley, Forsyth, Bryn, Ross, Benn.

—L. Lucknow, Dec. 12.

Hungary beat Singapore in the second table tennis test by three matches to nil here today.

—Reuters.



JOHNNY BEST

brought them here in 1934 to put their world Featherweight title up with Nel Tarleton, Freddie gave a public work-out too—and looked terrible.

WE'D BEEN KIDDED

I told Pete I thought so, and he looked me straight in the eye and said nothing, made no excuses. It was only after the brilliant Miller had got the decision over Tarleton that I realised that Reilly and Miller had kidded everybody. But that's the boxing game.

Tarleton had another tilt at that title of Miller's in June 1935, and thereby hangs a tale.

Another promoter offered Reilly the return match and Pete immediately consulted me. I told him to go right ahead, and so far as I was concerned, that was the end of the matter except that, for personal reasons, I decided that I would not attend the fight, which was to be staged at a local dog-racing track.

Anyhow, some time before the fight Reilly was recalled to the States on urgent business and sailed only on my undertaking to take Freddie into my home and look after him.

The night before the fight Freddie produced a couple of ringside tickets and handed them to me.

I said: "But I'm not going to see the fight." He looked at me with tremendous seriousness, and said: "If you aren't coming to the fight, I'm not fighting, and that's flat."

KEY OF THE SAFE

He was a strangely compelling fellow, Miller, and he was so insistent that I sank all my prejudices and went with him.

When we got inside, he said: "Come into the office, and when I denounce again, he insisted."

"The key of the safe," he said with a smile, and proceeded to open the safe. Out of it he took a bundle of notes of very high denomination indeed.

"My purse," he said. "I insisted they give it to me before the fight—and the key of the safe. This is where you come in."

He made me take my shoes off, and then he stuffed the notes into the toes and flattened them on the soles.

"I'm not taking any chances of your getting your pocket picked," he said.

And so I sat throughout that second defence of his title against Tarleton with my toes literally tingling with I don't know how many hundreds of pounds. I've never been so uncomfortable in my life—at least, not that way.

A nervous chap, Miller. Before a fight he'd get into a card game in his dressing-room, and you'd have to drag him away from it to get him into the ring.

"Aw, just one more hand," he'd say to the whip.

We'd matched Miller a second time with Seaman Tommy Wat-

son, and the night before the fight we were sitting together in front of my fire at home, for Pete Reilly was still back in the States and Freddie still living in my house.

Now the Tommy Watson of these days was a considerable performer, clever, and hard as tank, I asked Freddie how he thought the fight would go.

He smiled the way he does, with screwed-up eyes, and told me in that gentle drawl of a voice: "Mr Best, I'm making no promises about the round, but one time tomorrow night I'm going to hit Tommy with a punch he'll never see the start and finish of, and that'll be the finish of Tommy."

It was just as he said, but it was only afterwards that I learned the inside of that story. Freddie had received a cable from Pete telling him, as he had won his first fight with Watson on points, to make it a points win again and take no chances trying for a knock-out.

GREAT MANAGER

But another great fight manager, Al Lippe, had turned up in town with a couple of fighters, and when he got around to talking about the Miller-Watson return had asked a couple of racing men in his hotel what the odds were about Miller winning by a knock-out. The racing men, so confident of Watson's guile and strength, said "Five to one." Al took them.

Hearing of this, Miller decided, for the only time in his career, to disobey his manager, and it was thus that he prophesied for me. In that pre-fight night talk, what he would do to Watson.

It happened in the second round. . . I don't know where the punch started from, but it must have come from beneath the floor. Tommy never saw it. It crashed on his chin, lifted him clear off the floor, and landed him flat on his back—out.

Miller jumped over Tommy's flattened body, yelling like a war-crazed Indian brave, more delighted about Al Lippe's money than he was about his own victory.

That statutory disobedience apart, Miller and Reilly were one of the best fighter-manager teams I ever had to deal with. I put on a charity show once and almost at the last minute my top liner, Jackie Brown, fell out through illness. I had to get a new top liner quickly, and the biggest drawing card on Merseyside—Miller—was in Barcelona with Reilly.

NO FUSS

I cabled them, asking them to fly back just for this contest, and without fussing at all about who the opponent would be, or how much wages would be involved, Reilly cabled that they'd be in Liverpool on the day before the fight.

It would have made no difference if I had told them that the opposition was being provided by Jimmy Stewart, one of the hardest hitters in the country at the time.

They were there on the dot all right. Miller gave away a lot of weight and won on points.

He was a truly remarkable fighter. He didn't care a lot about training. He didn't need to. By travelling around all the small promoters and taking on all comers, sometimes for purses as small as £50, he considered he was being paid to keep in condition.

Actually he refused his purse for a charity show once and finished up losing money. . . He was fined a diver for a disqualification for hitting low.

NEXT ARTICLE:

Memories of the great Welshman.

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LETTER TO THE EDITOR

R. U. MacTAVISH?

AN OPEN LETTER TO I. M. MAC TAVISH—Before going on with this letter I will like to make clear that there is nothing personal between I. M. MacTavish and myself.

Many things have been said about the Mozambique soccer team which played three games in Hongkong and if there was a big reaction from MacTavish's readers it can easily be explained. On the average a reporter covers the soccer game write what he sees (materially), but I. M. MacTavish in his previous article was taking the matter to an ironical way and that was the origin of the MacTavish reaction (am speaking for myself).

After the games all Hongkong papers did cover the events as usual and only I. M. MacTAVISH had to "beat around the bush" taking it to the mockage side with those "verdicts" and unfinished phrases. Why not play fair and stick to the point?

I am still sure that I. M. MacTAVISH forgot that Hongkong was playing host in that well known and admirable way.

HONEST JOE

(The writer of this letter is a covering note quite rightly says "For sports sake am sure you will not refuse me" regarding the appearance of this letter in print. All our readers are entitled to take umbrage at our sports writers. To be absolutely fair, however, I must point out that MacTAVISH is seldom a diplomat, but he is generally appreciated by his readers for the fact that he is scrupulously fair.—Sports Ed.)

Kuala Lumpur Collegians Arrive

Fifty-two undergraduates of the Kuala Lumpur Technical College arrived by the s.s. Tjiluwah yesterday, to be greeted by their hosts, the University of Hongkong undergraduates.

The party of 52 visiting students included 19 rugby players, 14 hockey players, two officials (Mr Wong Leong-thean, manager, and Mr Cheah Gin-sun, Hon. Sec.), and 17 supporters.

The Collegians have only brought their rugby and hockey gear along with them, but are willing to play a cricket match if one is arranged. It is understood that Hongkong University is contemplating one such game.

During their short stay of approximately 10 days, they will play two rugby and three hockey matches.

The programme is as follows.

Rugby
Kuala Lumpur v Royal Air Force tomorrow at the Pool ground, Happy Valley.

Kuala Lumpur v Police or Combined Police and HKFC team on Monday, at the HKFC.

Hockey
Kuala Lumpur v Combined Nav Bharat, Soukumpts and KITC team at the HKU ground on Thursday.

Kuala Lumpur v University of Hongkong team on Friday, at HKU ground.

Kuala Lumpur v Malayan Indian team or Nav Bharat at HKU ground on Monday.

The captain of the rugby team is Lool Kam-pak C. Mohaddan leads the hockey team.

The team was expected to go down for a short training spell at the University ground yesterday, but cancelled it on the 11th hour.

Rugby League Charity Match

Castledore, Yorkshire, Dec. 12.

The New Zealand Rugby League touring team beat Castledore by 28 points to 10 in a rugby League charity match here today.—Reuters.

Sports Diary

TODAY

Badminton

Executive Committee meeting of Hongkong Badminton Association, Marine House, 5.30 p.m.

Golf

First round of Mitchell Plate at Fanling.

TOMORROW

Badminton

Inter-School matches at King's College, commencing at 8 p.m.

Soccer

Inter-School Committee meeting, Sports Road, 8.40 p.m.

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ENGLAND'S TEAM AGAINST SPAIN



Walter Winterbottom, the team manager, has a word with members of the England team against Spain on November 30. England won 4-1.—Central Express Photo.

The "Dirty" Player Today Is Not A Footballer But A Footpad

Says VERNON MORGAN

British football is suffering not only from a bad patch in the world soccer table, though may be it is rated a shade better today than it was a couple of years ago, but also from a surfeit of dirty play.

This is not just one writer's opinion, but the view of so many from the leading administrators to the British public and the soccer writers. If that were not so why is the English Football Association going to step up its campaign against unsportsmanlike behaviour. Why are gates falling and why does one writer head his article "Dirty play is ruining soccer and cheating the fans."

At the meeting of the FA Council today they will consider a strongly worded resolution from the Instructional Committee which takes a serious view of the bad examples displayed by some senior players, both professional and amateur, who persist in committing petty infringements and behave in an unsportsmanlike manner towards match officials.

The Committee are asking the Council "to take all steps possible" to stop the misconduct which is "unquestionably undoing much of the good work carried out by the FA for the general well being of the game."

What will the Council do? They will probably issue fresh instructions to referees to take a much more serious view of infringements however petty, and to penalise those guilty by at least reporting them to the FA if they do not take the more drastic step of sending them off the field.

MISDEMEANOURS

They will also themselves probably instruct the Disciplinary Committee to deal much more severely than they have done in the past with players reported to them for misdemeanours.

It is thought that the Instructional Committee have taken good note of the splendid example set by some foreign touring teams, notably the Russians, and would like to see the English, who gave the game to the world, as well disciplined as their pupils. Some believe that the trend of schools to go over to rugby football may be influenced by bad examples set by top-class soccer players.

The variety rugby match last week will not have helped the cause of soccer much either, for after two bad games this was a fine example of how two teams can go over to rugby football and in a sporting spirit.

Foreign teams have recently gone back home saying "how dirty the play is in Britain today." That has not pleased the British administrators, jealous of the prestige of the game in the mother country.

Fact-finding missions by English sports writers have disclosed how many infringements take place weekly in the League matches. They are asking the Players Union to take steps to see that their players play the game. They are asking the public to boo bad sportsmanship just as they boo bad play. They are asking directors and managers to come down heavily on the players in their clubs who resort to mean tactics. As one writer puts it, the dirty player today is not a footballer but a footpad and should be treated accordingly.

A remarkable article collating on the English Football Association to pull out of the International Football Federation (FIFA) has appeared in the British press. It was written by Stan Seymour, the "boss" of Newcastle United.

Accusing the FIFA of "pandering to the Continentals" he wrote: "I call on the FA to pull out of FIFA while football is still a British game. If they don't we won't recognise it in a few years' time."

After asking what good could come out of a tie-up with the Continent, he attacks FIFA for



London Express Service

Why Attack Ford; I Say He Is Not To Blame

By ALAN HOBY

So Trevor Ford is the bad boy, the spoilt darling, the pampered prima donna of soccer!

Because the fiery Wales and Cardiff centre-forward refuses to play inside-left for his club he is pelted with every stone in the critic's lexicon. What hypocrisy!

Before we start treating Thunderbolt Trevor like a leper, we should first tear away the stupid pretence that modern League football is a sport.

It is nothing of the sort. Far from being a sport, it is the biggest entertainment industry in the country.

It is god is filthy lucre and, as such, it depends on its big names to pull in the cash customers.

So before you sit in smugly self-righteous judgment on the "sticking" Mr Ford, put yourselves in his place for a moment—as I have done.

CROWD PULLER

To kick off, the ruggedly individualistic Cardiff ace is a born crowd-puller.

Although he has been involved in £20,000 worth of transfer fees, he has also raked in thousands of pounds of the turnstiles—but always as a specialist centre-forward NEVER as an inside-left.

Yet as a product of soccer's miserly star system, the highest wage to—and other stars—can earn is £15 a week.

Indeed, the only way Ford can safeguard his future is from outside "perks"—Trevor is a rabid salesman.

But he will get these sideline jobs only while he remains at the top.

Is it really so surprising, therefore, that Ford should stubbornly refuse to sacrifice his star value by playing in a strange position?

How would you like it if, having reached the top of your trade or profession, your boss suddenly asked you to change jobs?

I know how I would feel if, after all these years, my editor came to me and said: "I want you to write the political leaders from now on."

I don't say I would refuse, but I can't honestly go on record

that I would be happy at the prospect.

This is a specialist age. I know football is a team game, but imagine the outcry if Stanley Matthews was asked to play wing-half, Nat Lofthouse at full-back, or Johnny Haynes on the wing!

AN EXCEPTION

I don't deny the all-round versatility of the great John Charles. But Charles is an exception.

Indeed, it can be argued that never Leeds nor Wales are getting the best out of him by all this chopping and changing.

Don't get me wrong. Many footballers have been moved around, but mostly during their formative years.

Manchester United manager Matt Busby, for instance, has been one of the most successful "switchers" since the war.

But both Ford and Don Revie who also wants a move because he was originally asked to play wing-half, are mature

footballers of long standing. And, whatever their clubs may think, both became famous as centre-forwards.

Let me say at once that I don't go all the way with Ford. In his case I think that once he had registered his protest he should have turned out for Cardiff. But he refused. For reasons best known to himself he deliberately courted unpopularity and now he has been suspended, and placed on the transfer list.

I'm not arguing about this disciplinary action by the Cardiff management. It was inevitable under the rules.

But, basically, it is the present rotten money system which is far more to blame than Trevor Ford.

As I see it, there is only one solution to all this back-biting and bitterness—

Put the stars on long-term contracts and pay them what they are worth.

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Chalk End Is Good Prospect As Hurdler; No Stamina Doubt

Says JAMES PARK

There is one difference between flat racing and jumping that appeals to me. Too often on the flat I am greeted with "What'll win?" Over the sticks I find there is a greater tendency for people to think things out for themselves and it is mainly a question of discussing the pros and cons.

I found that out when a number of jumping enthusiasts told me they appreciated my comments on the Sandown programmes.

I stressed the difference between horsemanship and jockeyship and said the ideal was the combination of the two.

Most of the jumping enthusiasts are interested in horsemanship rather than in jockeyship. That is not surprising in view of the fact that many have had actual experience of hunting and the ability to remain in the saddle.

That is not sufficient when it comes to racing or even with point-to-point races. A knowledge of flat racing can be an advantage during the winter, even though I have said that jumping is my number one essential over hurdles or fences. Racing on the flat is my main business and I like to apply it when I go out jumping.

RACE RIDING

In saying that, I do not wish to be thought I am on the side of those whose only concern is a financial one. Far from it. I like to note points in race riding, and there is more time to do it than on the flat, when too often it is all over in a minute or so.

If I may pass judgment here and there I do not want it to be thought I am hypercritical in any way. I would much rather be helpful than otherwise and that will be the basis of anything I may write on jumping.

In that connection there were two incidents that struck me at Kempton. There was a certain similarity about each.

In between the last two hurdles I thought Perifield was going better than Fredette. Perifield may have thought the same for he did not go into the last jump with the same dash as Fredette.

ON PERIFIELD

Perifield was inclined to stop and have a look, whereas he probably would have won it if he had gone into the obstacle with abandon. Whether I am right or wrong my money would be on Perifield next time.

The following day Bob Turner rode a perfectly judged race on Cottage Lane, but may have been lulled into a sense of false security. He went the nearest way home, made up ground steadily and stuck to the inside in the straight. He looked as if he could join the leader at any stage, but his mount did exactly the same as he did in the last jump.

If he had joined issue before the last and had been put at it in resolute manner there might have been a different result. As it was he was only third.

Nikiforov may also have been lulled into a false sense of security. He was in too short a time, but he finished

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Spaniards Reflect On Argentina

Madrid, Dec. 12.
Events in Argentina have caused some
Spanish circles to reflect on what might happen
here when the Franco regime ends.

The fall of President Peron caused few
regrets in Spain. His anti-Catholic policy was
unpopular here and there had been friction
between him and Madrid authorities concerning
Spain's long-standing debt to Argentina of 2,000
million pesetas (\$20,000,000) for wheat and meat.

But General Lonardi's over-
throw was deplored. The
Falange weekly newspaper,
Juventud, for instance, wrote:
"Lonardi and those with him
guaranteed the union of the
best qualities of Argentina."
General Lonardi's overthrow
was regarded here as the
triumph of the old political
groups of the pre-Peron days.
The preoccupation of the sup-
porters of the present regime is
to ensure that this shall not
happen in Spain on the day
when General Franco no longer
leads the nation.

Anticipate Events

The Monarchists consider that
it would be wise to anticipate
events by allowing the press to

prepare the public for a return
of the monarchy. In view of the
fact that General Franco spon-
sors the idea of a restoration in
the person of the youthful
Prince Juan Carlos.

But apparently General
Franco would only give way so
far as to agree that books con-
taining monarchist propaganda
would be allowed to appear.

Supporters of the regime be-
lieve that it is now strong
enough to withstand the
assaults which will obviously be
launched by the extreme right,
by the moderate Republican
exiles and by the Communists
when General Franco dies or
withdraws.

It is assumed by the regime's
supporters that General Franco
has already made a secret
choice of a personality to suc-
ceed him as present until
Prince Juan Carlos comes of
age and ascends the throne.
They believe that the hostility
to this solution of the extreme
right and of the Republican
exiles will be of scant im-
portance.

AFRICA TO ENGLAND ON FOOT

Kampala, Dec. 12.
Twenty-seven-year-old
Norman Imlach, of Rick-
mansworth Road, Watford,
in Hertfordshire, England,
has reached Uganda after
walking 3,700 miles from
Gobabis, in South West
Africa.

He is on his way to London,
and calculates that his journey,
which began in September 1954
will end about the middle of
May 1956.

Mr Imlach averages 20 miles
a day, depending on the dif-
ficulty of his route. Sometimes,
on rough elephant tracks, his
average has been lowered con-
siderably, but he makes it up
on the good stretches.

Red Beard

Wearing a khaki shirt and
shorts and a red beard, his
equipment consists of a blanket,
a torch, a mug, and a wrist
compass.

To people who stopped,
amazed, to see a white man
walking through the heat of the
day on the Equator, he said
that he was making his trip
"for the satisfaction of doing
something no one else has done
before."

Followed

Mr Imlach's journey through
Uganda took him to Tororo,
Mbale and Soroti, in the east of
the Protectorate.

From Soroti, he was heading
north for the Sudan, hoping that
the Sudanese authorities would
grant him a permit to pass
through the southern area in
which the mutiny occurred re-
cently.

He was followed by a crowd
of Africans and Indians as he
walked through the town of
Mbale and had to answer
innumerable questions while he
was offered food and drink as
he rested by the road.—China
Mail Special.

Ambassadors' Daughters Visit Paris Studio



A party of ambassadors' daughters recently paid a visit to a film studio in Paris to watch part of a day's shooting. Name of the film in production was—wait for it—"The Ambassadors' Daughter." The girls are shown gathered round the camera listening to explanations from director Norman Krassa. Standing beside him is film actress Myrna Loy. Girls are, from

left: Miss Marguerite Bot-
zeiser (daughter of the Nether-
lands Ambassador to France);
Miss Marij Malik (daughter
of the Indian Ambassador to
France); Miss Claude Joxe
(daughter of former French
Ambassador to the USSR);
Miss Anneli Halo (daughter
of the Finnish Ambassador to
France) and Miss Stella Jebb
(daughter of the British Am-
bassador to France).—Express
Photo.

EXPERIMENT MAY SAVE OLD DUTCH WINDMILLS

Amsterdam, Dec. 12.

An experiment which may save many
of Holland's centuries-old windmills from
the decay and destruction with which they
are threatened has begun in the small town
of Hasselt near Zwolle.

The local windmill, which after
generations of corn grinding could no
longer be run economically, has now been
entirely converted to produce electricity,
bringing hope that other windmills may be
saved in the same way.

The experiment has not
come too soon, for thousands
of windmills have already dis-
appeared from the Dutch land-
scape in the last half century
and many more are threaten-
ed with a similar fate.

The new project has been
worked out by the local
Electricity Board, which de-
cided that it must try to do
something to save the famous
"De Zwaluw" (The Swallow)
mill from ruin when its
millers announced that he
could no longer make a living
from grinding corn.

On the initiative of Mr R.
Baggerman, the Board's chief
engineer and a fanatic lover of
Holland's old windmills, plans
were drawn up for functional
changes in the mill which
would not only allow it to
produce electricity, but would
also increase its potential out-
put.

Long Study

Later, however, Mr Bag-
german came to the conclusion,
after long study of the mill,
that it could only be kept
working if it were entirely
turned over to producing elec-
tricity and gave up corn
grinding.

In this he differed funda-
mentally from other scattered
experiments which have been
conducted in recent years to
save the windmills by turn-
ing over only part of their
production to electricity while
still continuing to grind corn.

The windmill's new gener-
ator has been connected to the
local grid and is expected to
have a capacity of between
30,000 and 50,000 kilowatt
hours a year—sufficient elec-

tricity for up to 80 average
families in the region over a
year.

The total cost of conversion,
including the 30-kilowatt
dynamo and all the other
necessary electrical equip-
ment, has been approximately
10,000 guilders (about £1,000
sterling)—about one-fifth of
the market price of a wind-
mill in full working order.

More Economical

Although the conversion
costs seem high, Mr Bag-
german thinks that it may be a
small price to pay in the long
run to keep the typical Dutch
windmill in operation.

Nearly 1,200 windmills are
still standing in Holland, though
only 800 of these are in regu-
lar use. At the beginning of
the century an estimated 6,000
mills were flourishing in all
parts of the country, but now
thousands have been lost owing
to improved mechanical equip-
ment.

Nonetheless, experts claim
that many mills, particularly
those used to pump water on
medium-sized polders, the re-
claimed land surrounded by
dykes, are still more economi-
cal to run than any other type
of machinery for the same job.
But a great number of large
windmills used for grinding
corn are far less economic than
modern equipment.

A Dutch windmill cannot
work in a gale nor in a very
light breeze. It needs a steady
wind with a speed between 10
miles an hour and 23 miles an
hour to work well. But these
requirements are usually fairly
easily fulfilled in Holland
where a steady breeze seldom
fails to blow over the flat
countryside.

One of the new ideas which
has been fitted to the Swallow
mill at Hasselt is a system to
keep the sails turning into the
wind so that they get its full
benefit.

Task Lighter

The mechanism is run elec-
trically and is set automatically
by a type of weather vane on
top of the mill. Previously the
millers had to shift the sails
manually each time the wind
changed direction.

The sails run the generator
automatically and the miller
therefore needs no special en-
gineering knowledge to be
able to continue to run his
mill.

His task has also been made
lighter by another of the
Electricity Board's inventions to
increase the mill's efficiency.
This is an automatic device
which regulates the amount
of surface covered on the sails
according to the strength of
the wind.

The former canvas covering
of the sails has been replaced
by a type of hinged lattice,
which, as the wind increases
in force, opens away from the
sail, allowing the air to pass
through and thus presenting a
smaller surface for the wind
to catch.

The old system of canvas
meant that as the wind in-
creased or decreased, in force,
the miller was obliged to stop
the windmill and alter the
amount of canvas covering the
sails by hand.

Mr Baggerman says that the
mill will have to be in use
for at least a year before it
can be accurately determined
whether it will be an
economical experiment, war-
ranteeing other conversions to
electricity.

Voluntary

But he is optimistic that the
project will be a success and
allow the miller to hire the
generator and other equipment
now installed in his mill and
make a yearly profit from the
sale of electricity. The Board
would buy the power which
he produces.

Meanwhile, a voluntary or-
ganization, the Society for the
Preservation of Windmills in
Holland, is leading a campaign
to save many more of the old
mills. Town councils also seem
to be becoming conscious of
the value of windmills—both
practical and aesthetic—and
are allocating funds for their re-
storation.

If large numbers of mills
can be successfully converted
to produce electricity, it will
certainly do much to save Hol-
land's old windmills from dis-
appearing from the traditional
picture of the Dutch landscape.
—China Mail Special.

US Consulate Closes In Hanoi

Hanoi, Dec. 12.
The United States Consulate
at Hanoi, finally closed down
today.

The last two members of the
consulate staff who left Hanoi
for Saigon (South Vietnam)
today hauled down the
American flag before they left.

The American Consulate had
never in fact been recognised
by the North Vietnam Govern-
ment since it came into power
in October, 1954.

The decision to close the con-
sulate was finally made some
months ago by the American
Government, when it became
impossible to keep up commu-
nications between the American
State Department and the con-
sulate.

In future, Great Britain,
through her Consul-General,
will watch over American
interests in North Vietnam.
—France-Press.

By Lee Falk and Phil Davis

Red Menace

The Communist menace is
seen, however, as considerable.
The Communists are believed to
be the only clandestine group to
maintain an active underground
organisation in Spain. Further-
more, Communists, infiltrated
into other clandestine parties
might be able to push a com-
munist policy under moderate
or even conservative political
banners.

At present, however, no parti-
cular fears for the future are
noticeable in Spain. Although
General Franco was 63 on
December 4, he seems to be in
good shape physically.—China
Mail Special.

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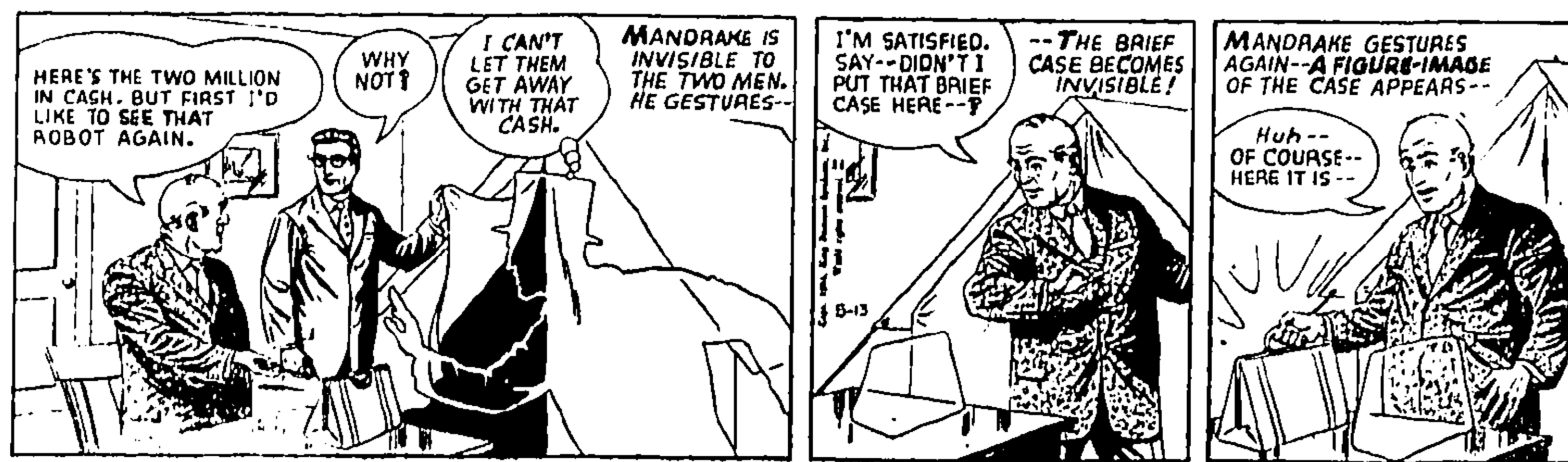
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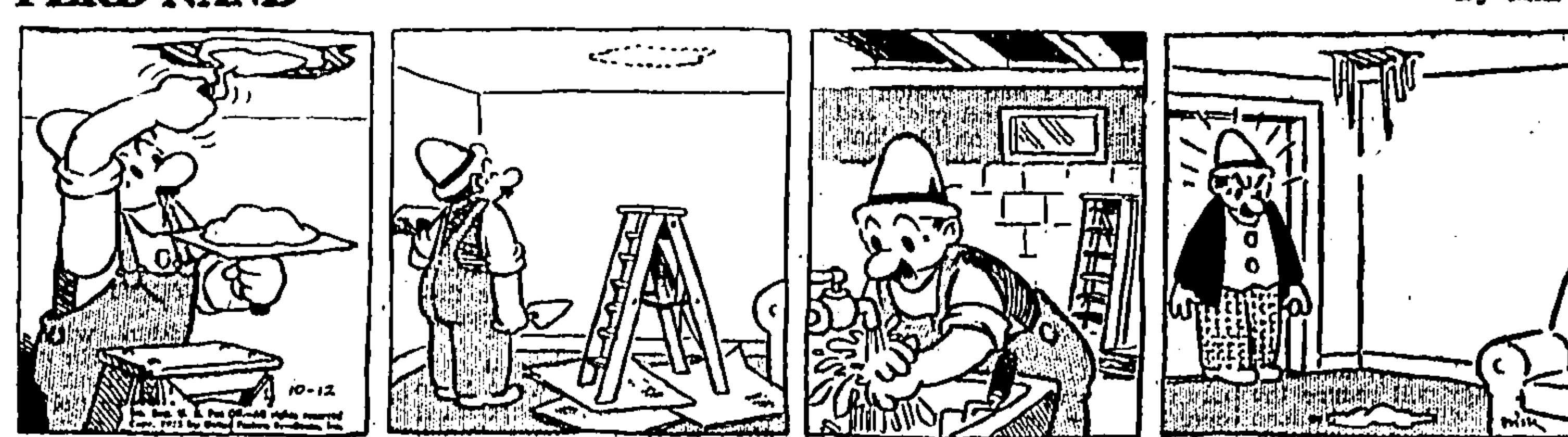
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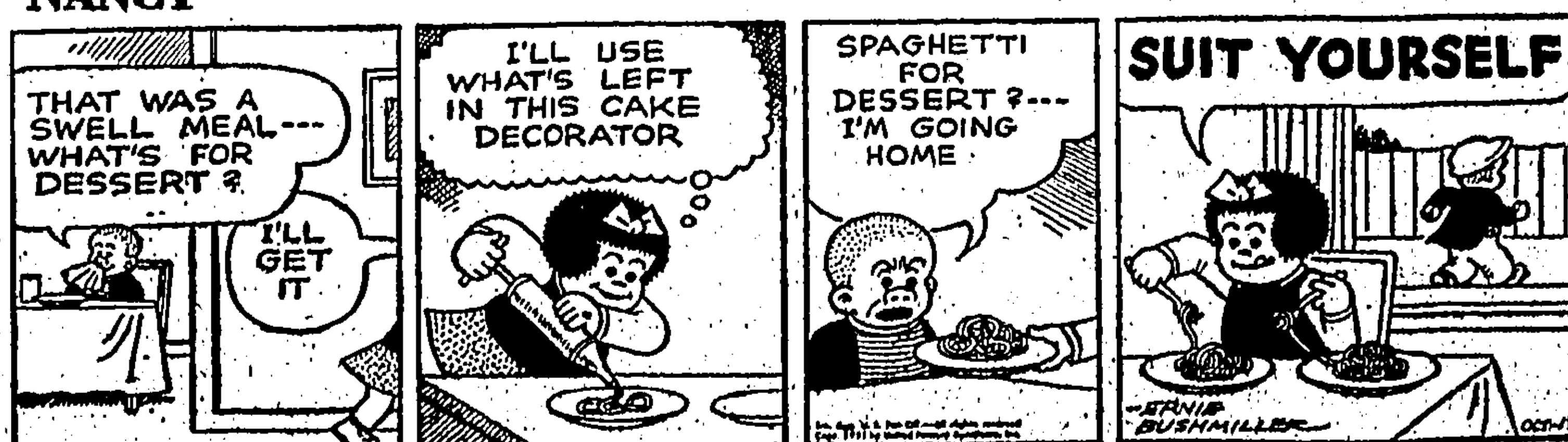
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SIDE GLANCES By Galbraith

Dickens; 4, Tea Time Rendezvous—Popular Concert Favourites; 4.30, Popular Vocal—Popular Songs; 4.45, Donner on Dumetrias; 6, Children's Chorus—Conducted by Anita Vail; 6.30, Progressive Jazz—Music in the Modern Manner; 6, Band Call—Featuring Ted Heath and his Music; 6.15, Birthday Mailbag; 6.15, What's in a Name—Presented by Valerie Bolton; 6.45, Shadows of Doubt—Presented by Colgate-Palmolive Company; 7, Time Signal and the News (London Relay); 7.05, Weather Report Announcements and Interludes; 7.15, Neechi Sewing Machine Programme—Featuring the Music of T.200, Coke Tuma—Starting Eddie Fisher with Axel Stordahl's Orchestra and Guest Star Vera-Christina Carley; 8, Personality Parade—Billy Cotton; 8.15, Melachrine Musical—Presented by Cadbury-Fry; 8.30, The Buck—Conducted by Prof. Dimples with a Panel Including Jerry Lewis, Stephanie Taylor, Anna Britton and Paul Du Toit; 9, The Survey Opera—'Yeoman of the Guard'—by Gilbert and Sullivan, Performed by the D'Oyley Carte Opera Company with Chorus and Orchestra under the Direction of Maurice Godfrey; 10.30, Murder at Midnight—The Creeper—Presented by Shiroo (China) Limited, Sole Agents for Parker Pond; 11, Date with Dragnet—Featuring the songs of the Emile Cote Singers; 11.30, Prelude to Midnight—Popular Concert Favourites; 12 Midnight, 'God Save the Queen'; Close Down

Suspect Detained

The Police have detained a Chinese in connection with the theft of bicycles in the Yaumatei and Mongkok areas. A number of cycles have been recovered.

Boy Injured

An eight-year-old Chinese boy sustained injuries to his head when he was knocked down by a private motor car in Johnson Road yesterday. He was detained in hospital.

"Come on, I'll take you down town! I just got my driver's licence, and if anything happens you can be witness!"